Les Memoires

Nothin' halfways About it

To a really
sweet, crazy
guy that always
makes me laugh!
Hope we can stay
friends! Luv ya!
Tracy
Hart!

To a very crazy guy who passes his
Lucie in last hour.
Let's start first
Chrissy

To a real nice guy I've known for awhile and a good friend.
Michelle

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Chris
I wish you would stop
bugging me! Just pickin
have a great year but keep cool.
Senior & gonna burn!
Pat

To Chris,
To a real nice
guy who sits behind
me. But your still sweet,
be and kinda like boys
of you. Stay that way,
Love ya,
Nancy

Chris
Have a Cool Cool
and a CRAZY
Beach Summer
Bud Man is Here

To a cold but
cool person, who stuck
it out from freshman

To Chris,
Have a cool summer
Thanks for putting up with me
We've been friends since we must like

us! HA! who cares - Huh! HA. Friends 4-ever, Missy Fayto

To A.
Cool, nice
sweet guy
who always
says why? I'd
love to just met
you but so hope we
become better friends
P.S. But
why?

"87 's friends
always
Kristie

The dreaded "rainy day" had arrived like March's lion — unwanted, unexptected, and unfortunately, not saved for. The nationwide economic depression had trickled down to Louisiana and hit the industrial community of Lake Charles a harder blow than could be absorbed.

Plant closings and worker's lay-offs reduced revenues generated from industrial and sales taxes. The coffers were empty. A tax millage was the only hope.

Everyone joined in the campaigning — teachers, students, parents, and school board members. Despite the best of efforts, a community angered over what they considered a mismangement of school monies and threatened with further lay-offs, defeated the proposal 10,202 to 9,034.

There was to be no rainbow. No pot of gold. Committees were formed, morales were deflated and the cuts announced:

Reduce teaching staff and increase class loads
Close five schools
Eliminate allotments for English, math, science, social studies, and physical eduation
Eliminate funding for band uniforms
Reduce allotments for music and art
Discontinue furniture and equipment allotments
Reduce Office allotments
Transfer financial responsibility of office machine maintenance to individual schools
Elininate funding for driver's education
Stop funding for utilities at athletic events
Eliminate funding for non-revenue sports
Freeze salaries of all employees and réduce insurance benefits

No one was spared, the budget bely ws tightened all the way.

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THEY SAID IT COULDN'T BE DONE. A temporary lull in the Barbe-LaGrange pep rally set the stage for head coach Jimmy Shaver's unexpected presentation of the 4-AAAA District Championship trophy. The bleachers exploded into wild cheering and arm waving as he proudly paraded down the center aisle, trophy held high above his head.

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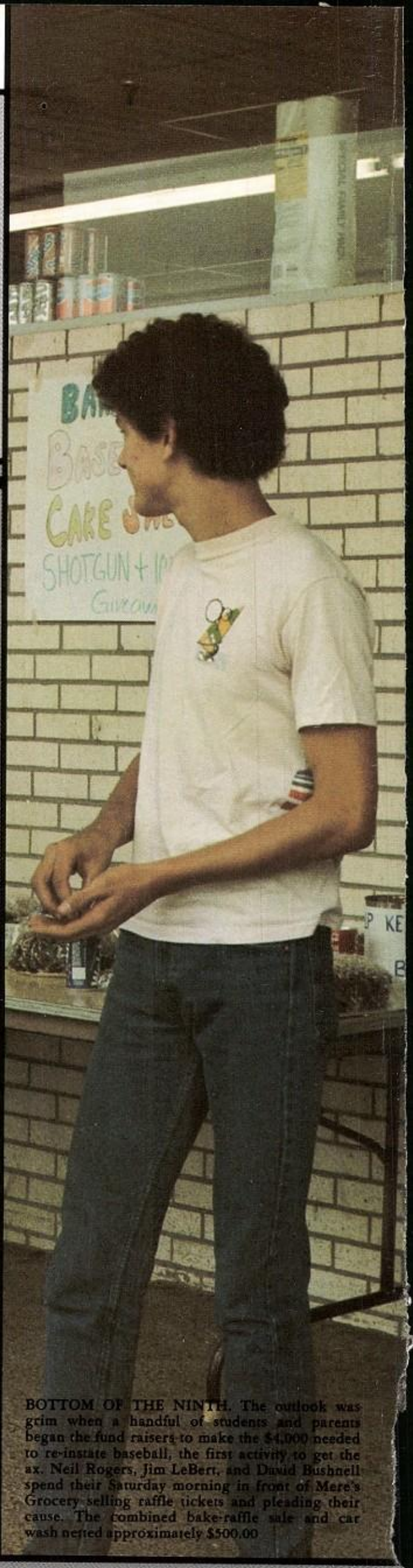
THE BIG CHILL. A computer was one item the School Board bought to try to overcome the lack of money. One of its purposes was to regulate the air conditioners, but for the first few weeks of school it was actually accomplishing the opposite. Ms. Gwen Lancon's fourth hour French I class felt the chill as they wore coats and gloves in class and then stripped them off for the 85-90 degree weather outside.

THE "PRINCIPAL" ELEMENT. The cutback in teacher number was the most noticeable loss. Coaches picked up classroom loads, teachers were scheduled in their minor fields, and administrators went back to the trenches. Stephanie Dubea, freshman, gets advice before turning in her assignment for Vice Principal Marianne DiGiglia's third hour English I class.



BOTTOM OF THE NINTH. The outlook was grim when a handful of students and parents began the fund raisers to make the $4,000 needed to re-instate baseball, the first activity to get the ax. Neil Rogers, Jim LeBert, and David Bushnell spend their Saturday morning in front of Mere's Grocery selling raffle tickets and pleading their cause. The combined bake-raffle sale and car wash netted approximately $500.00

Cutting Deeper than Halfway

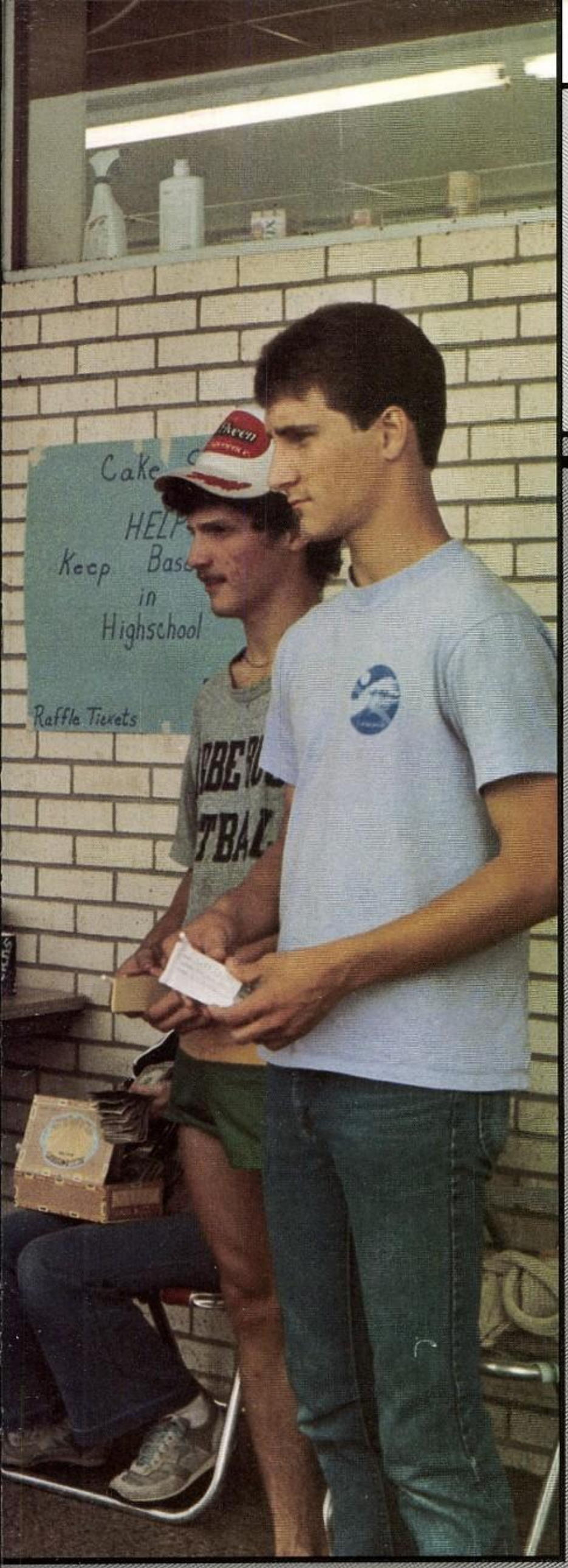
The heat of the summer sun had burned away the black mood left by the spring's tax defeat. The sounds of the now-distant doomsday barely echoed over shouts of laughter and greetings as the first hour bell called students to class August 29. But at classroom doors, the sight of 40 odd warm-bodies spilling over into the hall brought it all back.

Seven teachers had been cut, including a coach, a librarian and a guidance counselor. Those who were spared, scrambled to find desks for overcrowded classes and shrank their budgets to fit smaller salaries.

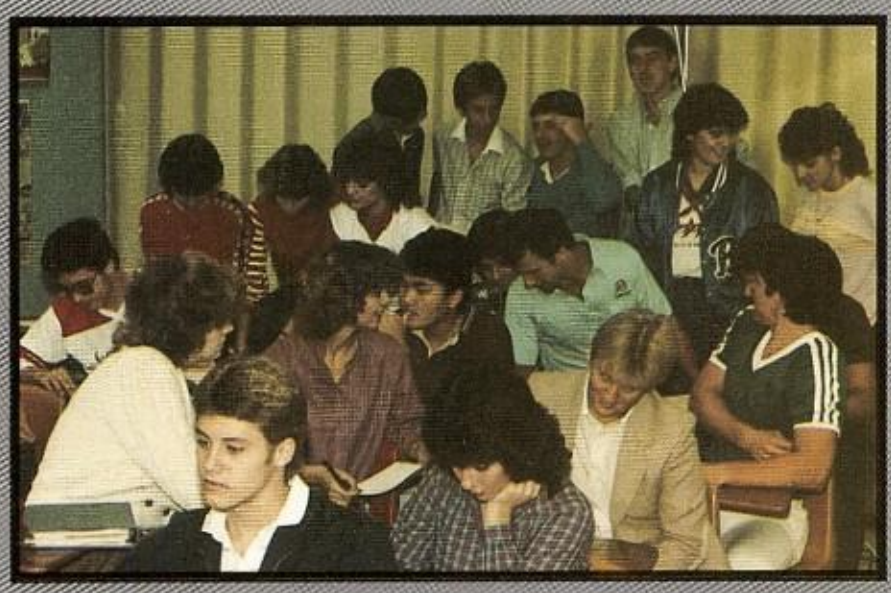
Assistant principals Marianne DiGiglia and Denton Heinrich picked up an English and a math class to help lighten class loads. Coaches put down basketballs, whistles and ping-pong paddles to pick up rulers, chalk and lesson plans.

Signs chanting "Baseball, hot dogs and apple pie" cropped up at pep rallies as players lamented the loss of their sport.

Copy machines, with less fluid and paper, turned out fewer pages. Students went back to copying from the board. As the sun set on that first Friday of school, optimism slipped over the horizon and pessimism dawned. Was there no answer to lighten the load?



NO ROOM AT THE INN. Mrs. Jean Barker's first hour English IV class felt the cutbacks first hand. Losing seven teachers resulted in the elimination of some classes all together or at times as many as 36-49 were enrolled in a single class.



Getting Above it All

A specific time and date couldn't be pinpointed. Anyway you figured, a plain or simple answer only explained it halfway.

Maybe it was the feeling of being "special" that began to sparkle in the eyes of the assistant principal's students. Or the camaraderie that developed among too-close neighbors in over stuffed rooms. Then there was the pride, unmistakable in the voices of faculty members who had sacrificed, coped, and were feeling better for it. The feeling peaked, creeped and sneaked its way into every face and facet of campus life. Then it snowballed.

Before the eyes of an unbelieving community, the team ranked last in pre-season predictions reeled off one victory after another till the ultimate win was theirs — the 4-AAAA District Football Championship.

Coachless and penniless, baseball players and their parents held an organizational rally October 18 and lined out fund raisers to net the required $4000 to reinstate the 'ole ballgame. Five weeks, one street drive, a hotdog and cake sale, and two raffles later, they dusted off home plate and someone yelled, "Play Ball!"

The student councils got the fever, too. Changing the method of election to generate more participation, the groups spurred a renewal of student body interest. A crowded fun filled Homecoming week was the result.

We had found our pot of gold. It couldn't be put in the bank or buy back what had been lost. But it sustained us and raised us to a level of determination no defeat would destroy. We were going to be "better than best." There was nothing halfway about it.

SPACE CASE. Homecoming Week's Bizarre Day was one filled with wild plaids, tough gang members, and of course those uniquely unusual punk rockers. Dressing was limited only by one's imagination and courage. Kim Crater, junior, lets her real personality shine on the senior's dress up day.

MIXED EMOTIONS. Report card day, dreaded by some, anticipated by others, arrives on time regardless. Most students are forced to live with butterflies in their stomachs on this controversial day, some praying desperately for honor roll while others would kill for a "D." Damon Cryer and Todd Cooley, juniors, compare their grades they earned the first six weeks during homeroom period.

BLINDED BY THE LIGHT. Reduced funds for science courses did not stop chemistry classes from getting involved. Students donated three dollars a person the first week of school to help defray lab and other expenses. Mike Gardner, Karla Jacobi, Ricky Sims, Cathy Burge, and Matt Wallace await the result of a thermite reaction in Ms. Joan Vallee's fifth hour chemistry phase 3 class.

WE DID IT AGAIN. After winning the third play-off game against Lake Charles-Boston and clenching the district championship for the seventh straight year, the volleyball team broke out in wild cheering.

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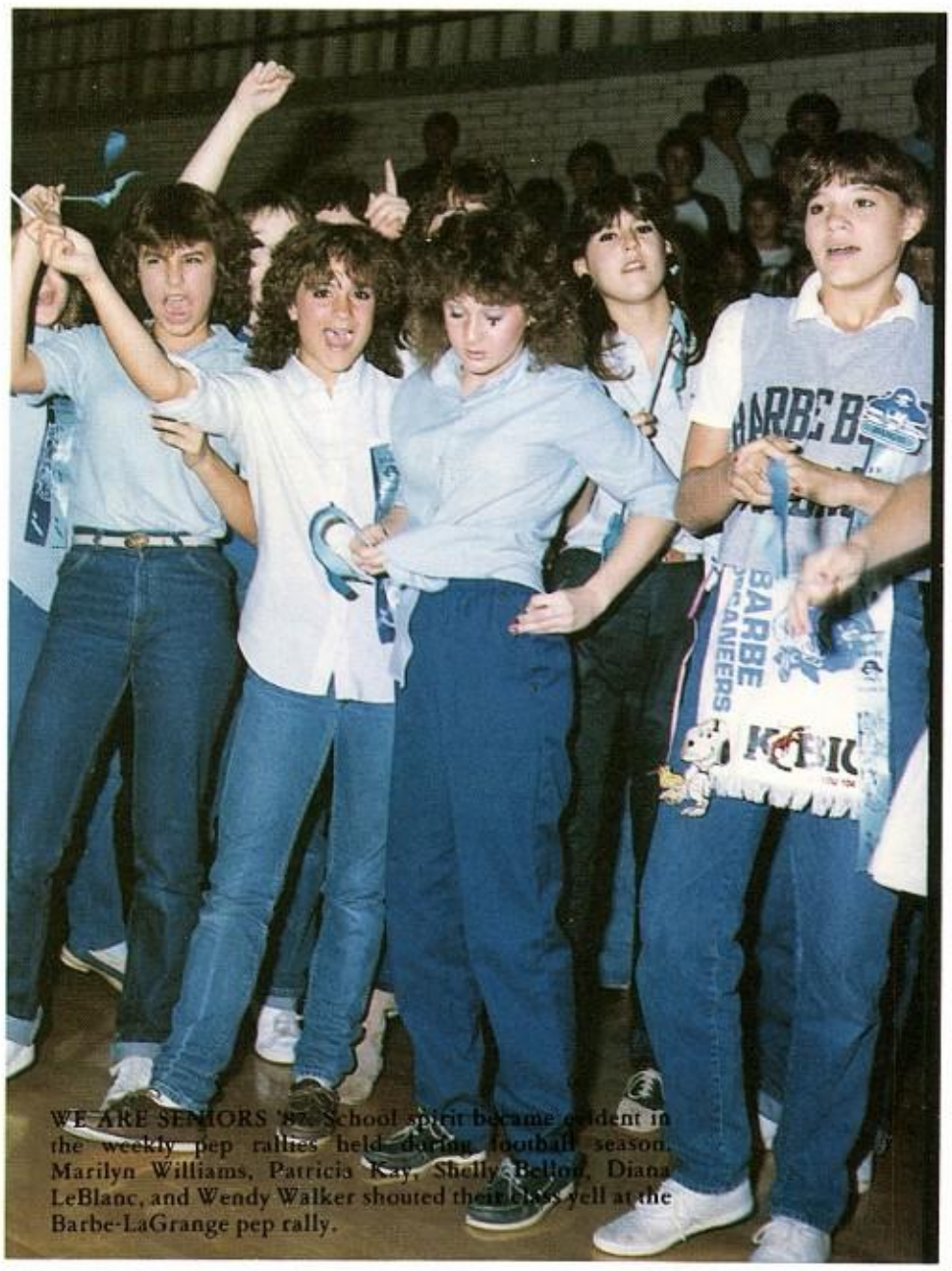
Student life



WE ARE SENIORS '87. School spirit became evident in the weekly pep rallies held during football season. Marilyn Williams, Patricia Kay, Shelly Bellou, Diana LeBlanc, and Wendy Walker shouted their class yell at the Barbe-LaGrange pep rally.

Barbe had been the new kid on the block in the school system. It was 14 years old but the student body had never been put to the test. Growing pains were forgotten as everyone realized that it was time to get moving and shape up.

It seemed students forgot how to do things half-heartedly. "To the Max" was added to every adjective, action, and reaction.

Window painting contests and poster parties resulted in displaying a kaleidoscope of renewed spirit and color.

Fashion was everyone's passion as students tried on parachute pants and Flashdance shirts. They took off in their Members Only jackets to cruise the beach or pig out at Taco Bell.

The weather seemed to catch the spirit, too. Students prayed for a touch of nippy air to make the usual tropical Christmas a bit more like Bing Crosby's white one. Jack Frost went overboard with a record breaking temperature of 9 degrees.

By spring the students' moods were as bright as the leaves. But they were green no more. Somewhere between August 29 and May 29 those untested, untried youngsters grew into determined teenagers. They were on the right track, heading every which way but down.

GETTING IT OUT IN THE OPEN. The monotony of the classroom needs interrupting at times. A few of Ms. Gwen Lancon's second hour students take a break from the French II drills and exercises to breathe some fresh air and "parler in français."

THE WONDER OF IT ALL. The varsity basketball team is about to pull ahead of East Beauregard as the fans rise to their feet in anticipation. (inset picture)

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HOMECOMING

Breaking Tradition

Green leaves covered the trees. The heat from the sun was enough to turn the air-conditioner on full blast. Students talked of sailing and swimming. And Homecoming.

Homecoming? In September? When the talk of summer hadn't faded like a suntan? Homecoming was out to shatter past traditions as it attempted to form new customs.

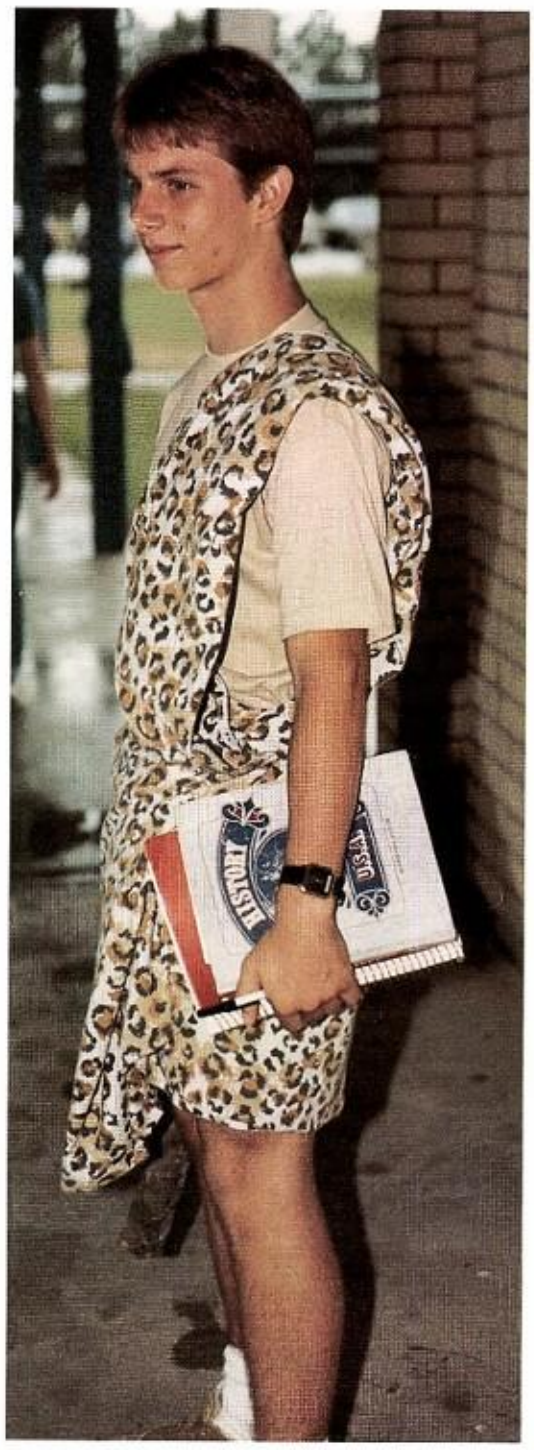
People used to experiencing this event in October were disoriented. "The weather doesn't make that much of a difference," admitted Kelly Melton. "It's just that October seems more like autumn."

Some traditions, however, were meant for a lifetime. Following long-established rituals, Vickie Doucet was crowned 1983 Homecoming Queen during the half-time ceremonies. Court members included Mary Bennerscheidt, Stephanie Borel, and Nicole Jinks, seniors; Michelle Dunman, Kim Martin, and Melinda Matthews, juniors; Celeste Fruge and Paula Williams, sophomores; and Annie Bennerscheidt; freshman.

Customary dress-up days spiced up the week. "Camouflage Day" launched the rousing week of events. Army rejects surrounded the buildings in their army fatigues. Those who didn't care for the mercenary look, took up jungle gear.

The first "Twin Day" included triplets and quadruplets, many dressed in Saint Louis uniforms. Lisa Manual and Daphne Monier dressed to kill in McDonald's uniforms, while Bill Nicholson and James Peacock tried to compete with their Kroger jackets.

All sorts crawled out from under the sidewalk for "Bizarre Day."



WHERE'S JANE? Tarzan, Bill Nicholson, looks alone on Bungle in the Jungle Day.

LIKE WOW MAN. Homecoming week's Twin Day brought out four senior girls dressed up in look-a-like hippie garb.

QUEEN OF THE HOP! At the traditional halftime ceremony, Senior Vickie Doucet is crowned by Trisha Paris, 1983 Queen. (Puckett Photography)

PRETTY MAIDS ALL IN A ROW. Dance fever strikes and senior Deidre Halcomb is dancing to the tunes of "Lafitte."

Changing common customs

HOMECOMING

Breaking . . . (cont)

Anything goes today," muttered Kelli Gregg, senior, eyeing some tights covered with japanese characters.

The feeling of "Mafia Day" was summed up by junior, Eric Bohdan, who assumed the alias "Sweet William" as he schlepped his "machine gun" around. "Watch your mouth," he snarled. "Or I might have to blow it off."

The first Powderpuff football game twisted tradition as it poked fun at the authentic ritual. Cheerleaders, Bluebelles, and any other female willing to show off her athletic prowess took to the field Tuesday afternoon to join in the fun. The skies could barely hold back the accumulated moisture, and when the storm burst, the teammates found themselves swimming for the ball on the muddy band field.

Chris Owen nearly split his powderpuff when he heard his name as announcer, John Miller, said "I present to you our 1983 Powderpuff Queen."

"I've always dreamed of this," Owen confided. Other court members included Bill Nicholson, James Peacock, and Tim Taylor, seniors; Mark Miller, Gilles Morin, and Ricky Self, juniors; Grady Akins and Scott Doyle, sophomores; and Chris Ferguson, freshman.

The feeling of "Mafia Day" was carried over to the Friday night Homecoming Dance with "The Jazz Age." The band "Lafitte" helped keep everyone's mood up. "It certainly was a unique, one-of-a-kind experience," stated sophomore Paul Behrend. — MARSHALL

NOT JUST A PRETTY FACE. Personalities shine through as the Homecoming Court poses for group pictures. (Puckett's Photography)

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING, James Peacock's qualities as senior court member are all out front. Kelly Melton and Karen Abate escort.

A WINNING SMILE. Kevin Cart and Jeff Rosteet won the Buc cake raffled by the Booster Club at the barbecue held during Homecoming week.

WALLFLOWERS. These freshmen, Wayne Fox, Missy Fayko and Kim Borel watch the dance from the sidelines.

CROWNED ROYALLY. Chris Owen, senior, is regally robed and capped at half-time Powder Puff ceremonies.

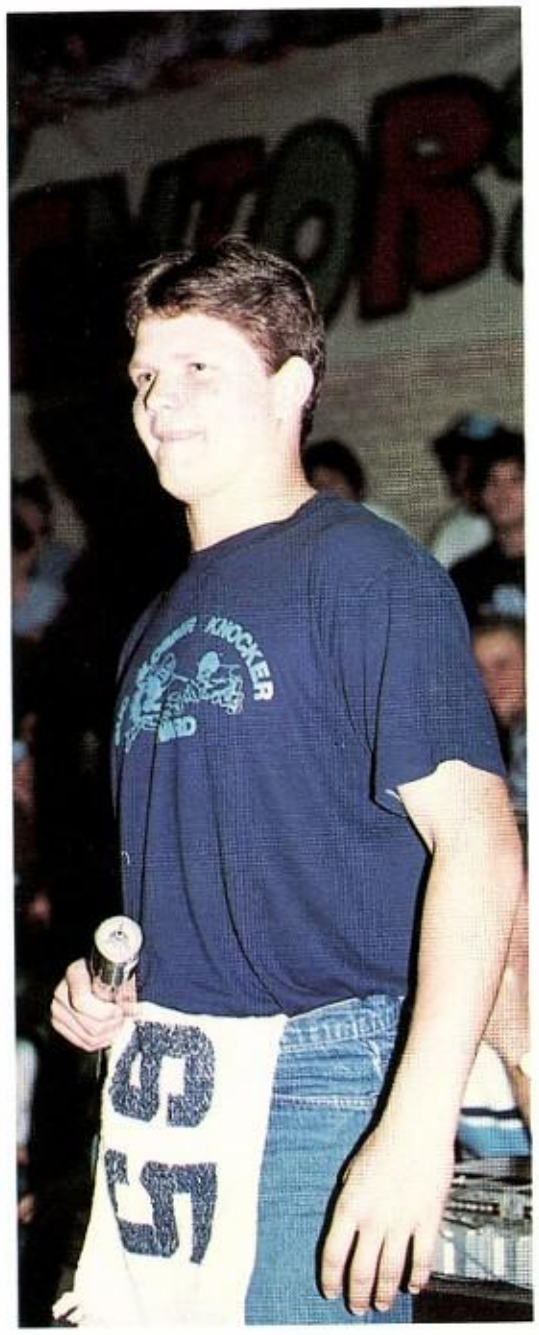
A CHANGE OF TUNE. At the Powder Puff game a swap is made and the guys cheered for the girls.

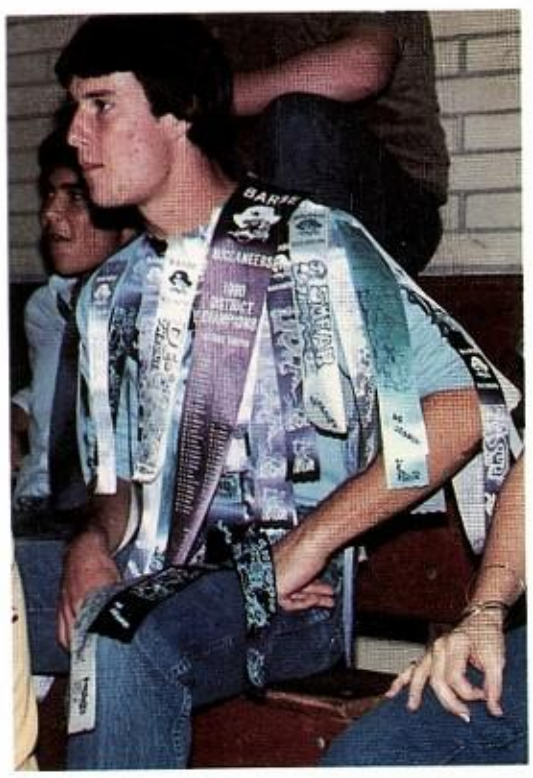
Queens Kings and pretty faces

A SONG FOR THE BUCS. The bluebelles participated in the after-school pep rallies with chants, cheers, and songs of support. Lori Kimball, Kelly Melton, Angie Savant, Becky Rogers, and Sheila Lambert keep in tune.

KEEPING IN STEP. Seniors get a kick out of the band's rendition of "Some Kind of Friend."

VARSITY SPEAKS OUT. Senior, Lance Ogea addresses the student body, asking for their support during the season.





PINNED BLUE AND WHITE. Junior, Doug Burguieres is covered with spirit ribbons as part of a contest to get the football players psyched up.

PLEASED WITH PARTICIPATION. The football players do their own thing as they watch the students demonstrate their class cheers.

PEP RALLIES

That Something Extra

From the mountainous roar of the student body to the faultless melodies of the band. From the Bluebelles' precision dancing to the undying spirit of the cheerleaders. From the optimistic orations of Coach Shaver to wild and wacky games between classes, Buc pep rallies were a sight to behold.

Buc spirit sessions have always been a little different, and this year was no exception. A miscommunication between the administration and the student body prompted the front office to move the midseason rallies to after school hours. The increased attendance proved the students were serious about their roles as loyal Buc supporters and the morning pep rallies went back to schedule just in time for the LaGrange game.

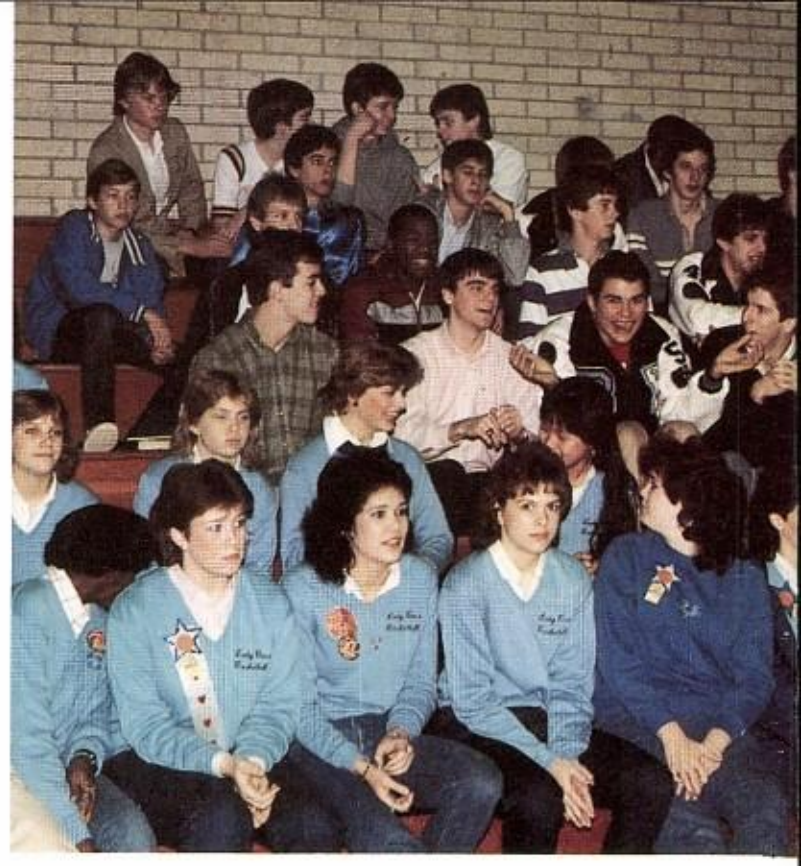
Mrs. Hebert added her special touch to the events by cooking her traditional "Gator Gumbo" and KPLC spiced up the spirit by flashing its cameras around at two pep rallies. "It just made you want to yell all the more," said junior Troy Harrington, enthusiastically.

Every pep rally had that special little something to make it stand out from the one before.

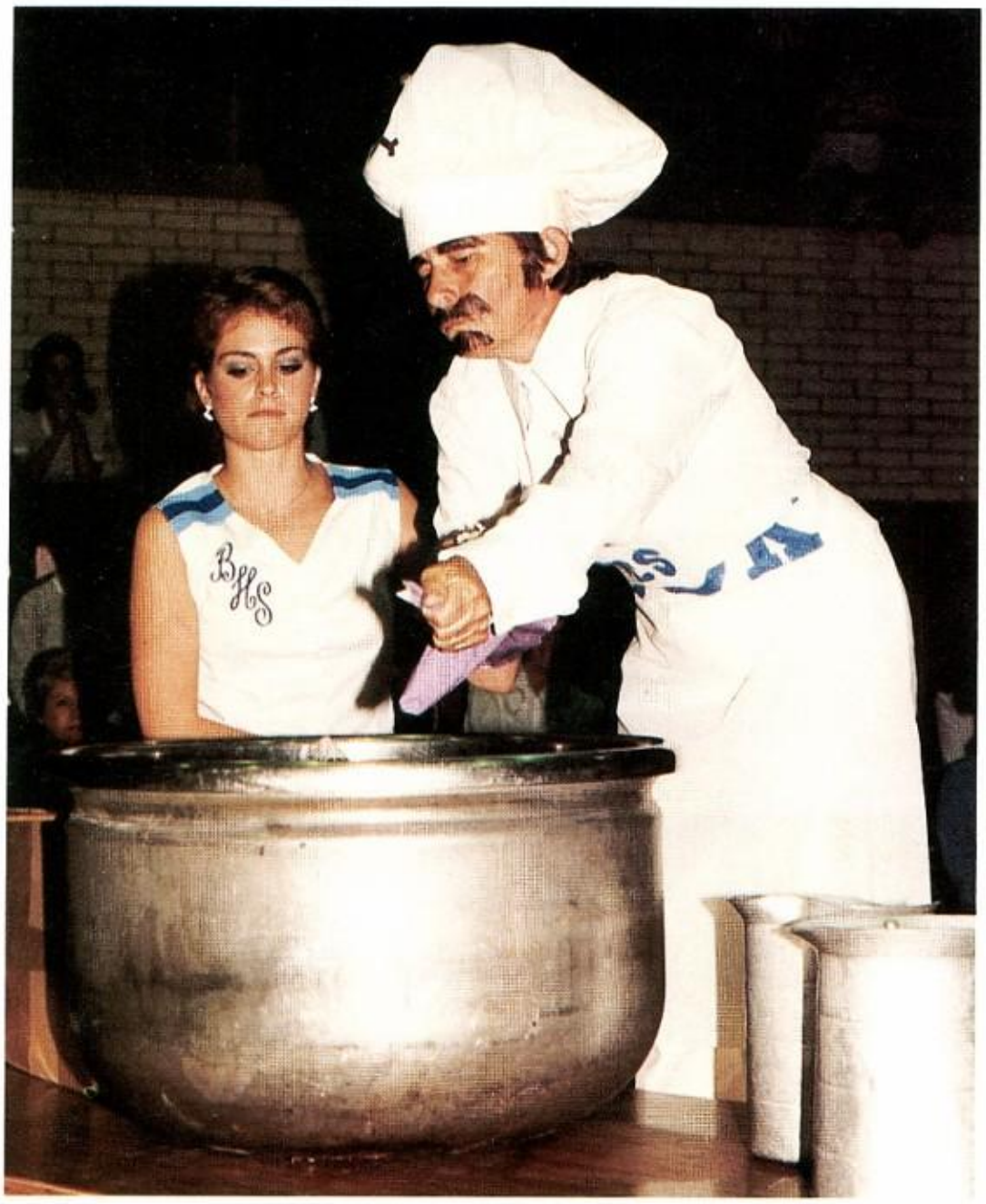
The senior girls' spoof at the Homecoming pep rally sent senior football jocks scurrying to hide their red faces, while observers hunted for Kleenex to wipe laughter-wet eyes. Barbs dug in sharper with the aid of props, such as Lisa Manuel's taco and Penny Evans' shades and leis. Pam LeBato strutted up to Dietz Eastman saying,

Scream! Shout! Knock yourself out!

Beat 'em — bust 'em — it's our custom!



SEAT OF HONOR — The basketball players take their turn sitting in the south section for the pep rally. Players were introduced at this season's kickoff celebration.

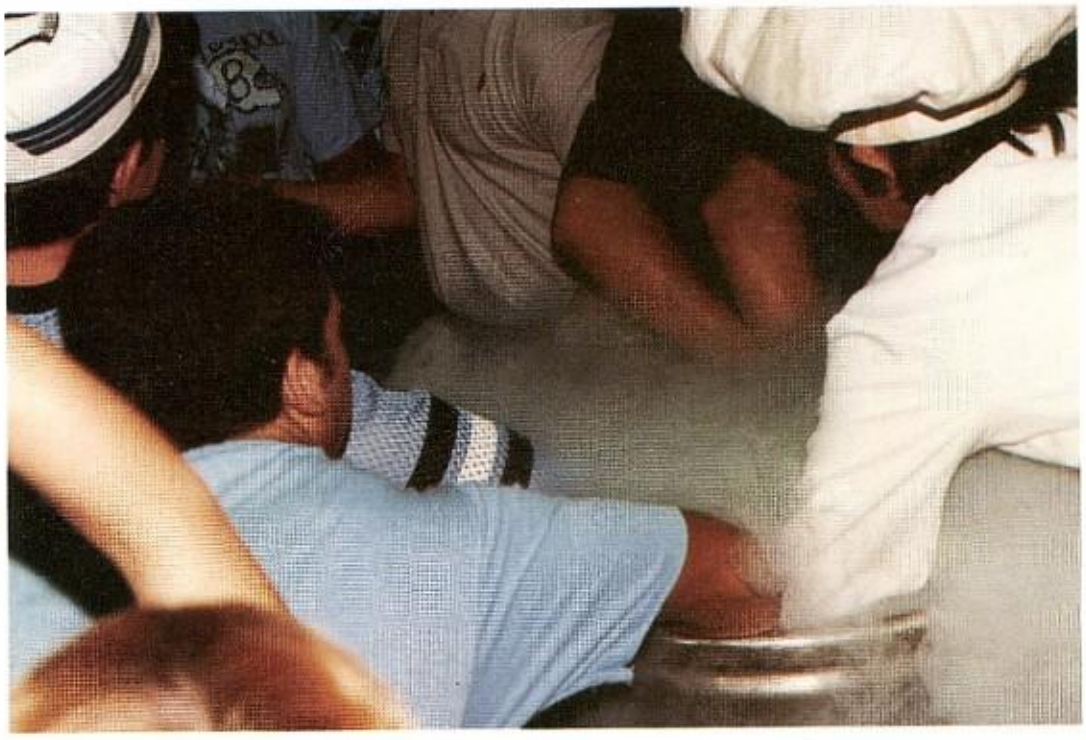


THE MAIN INGREDIENTS. Varsity cheerleader Jan Gwatney holds the spices that Mrs. Gloria Hebert will add to her traditional gator gumbo.

"BUC THE TORS," yelled senior, Chris Owen, as he emerged from his casket to mourn for the Sulphur Tors at an after-school pep rally.

SPIRITED SENIORS. From left, Katie Herr, Denine Fontenot, Kim Stagg, and Mary Ellen Marshall cheer for the Bucs to be #1.

THE "MIST-ERIOUS" INGREDIENTS. The varsity football players help Mrs. Hebert stir her secret ingredient into her famous gator gumbo.



PEP RALLIES

That Something Extra (con't.)

"Dietz, you're so fine." "I know," came the reply. Alesia Broussard sashayed forward wearing cleats and a foot of extra padding. The sign on her jersey read, "Don't Squeeze the Sherman."

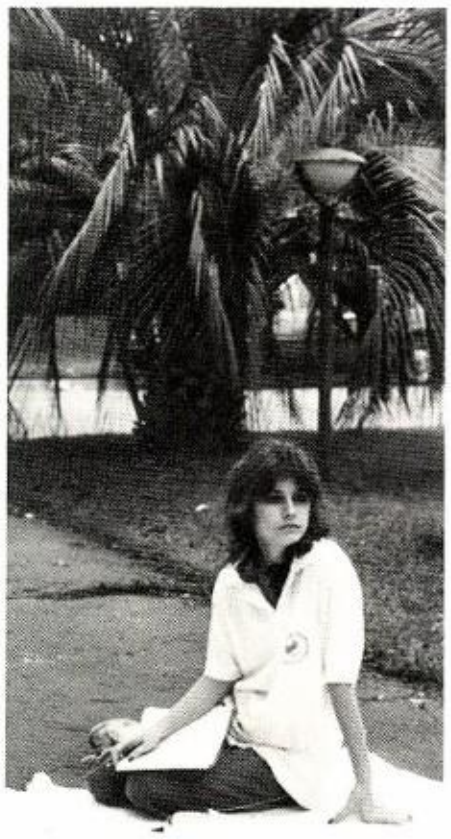
Super Buc, John McGehee, and the Unknown Tor, alias Chris Owen, battled it out at the Sulphur pep rally. No one need ask who was the winner. The ultimate embarrassment for some of the football players came at the Lake Charles-Boston rally when members of the team played the Licorice-Kiss Contest.

Pep rallies have always been on a higher plane because of the great record of our football teams. "When the football team is having a good year you want to show some appreciation by showing them how much you support them. That's why we always have great pep rallies," maintained senior Barrette Brown.

But football isn't the only sport to get the "peppy" look, basketball had its moments, too.

The gym filled quickly as the student body steadily streamed in. The cheerleaders got the crowd on their feet with a constant chorus of cheers. Coach Costello, then, introd ced his cagers saying "They are only as good as they think they are." Barbe's fight song brought the pep rally to a crescendo and finally to a close.

Like a football or basketball team, pep rallies have hills and valleys, but as long as that little something extra — the fans' loyalty remains, no height of enthusiasm is unreachable. — CART



GENIUS AT WORK. Senior Stephanie Fontenot visualizes the poster she is about to create for the Wildcat game.

ALL WORK AND NO PLAY? Senior Tonya Sanders takes a break from cleaning up and has a few laughs.

A brush, a picture, and a perfect poster

A SPLASHING DASH. At a 4 p.m. Octagon poster party Caroline Zama puts the finishing touches on a quarter-finals poster.

MOTHER NATURE CALLS. Junior Missy Brewer does not help clean up because of the old bathroom excuse.

Touch of Color

Raising Spirits

The quiet residential neighborhood soon lost its cloak of peace and quiet. A long car drove by others who parked on the street. Out of the cars came long rolls of paper that were soon strewn all over the driveway. In a short time teen-agers bent over the sheets of paper and got to work. Another official poster party had begun.

Poster parties have good causes: to stimulate the football and basketball teams to victory, to promote election candidates, and to advertise around school. Classes and clubs get together to promote the school. All that is needed is rolls of paper from the American Press, some paint, a driveway to work on, and portions of the student body.

Kerri Jacobi explained the art of making posters. "When it was time for a game we decided what to put on the poster by using alliteration. That's using the first letters of words. When we played the Tors we had to think "T — the Tors." We could get really creative with alliteration."

One certain Octagon poster party stuck out in Michelle Terranova's mind. "It was just a normal poster party. Then some of the guys, Craig Richardson, Danny Dyer, Southey Hayes, and David McElveen started tossing a football around. It got thrown into the street and nearly hit some lady's car. She got really angry over it and called the police. So a policeman came over and told us to 'stop hurling missiles across the public way."

However, most poster parties were uneventful as 'guests' quieted down and started concentrating on the delicate process of painting the perfect poster. Control, especially, was a top priority. Dripping paint on a clean poster was as taboo as refusing an invitation to the White House. Poster parties were tranquil, unlike other years when they were often interrupted by the arrival of rival classes intent on destroying each other's work.

As artwork, the product of poster parties would never grace the walls of the Metropolitan. But the point that a poster emphasized was worth a thousand words. — MARSHALL

Hamming It Up

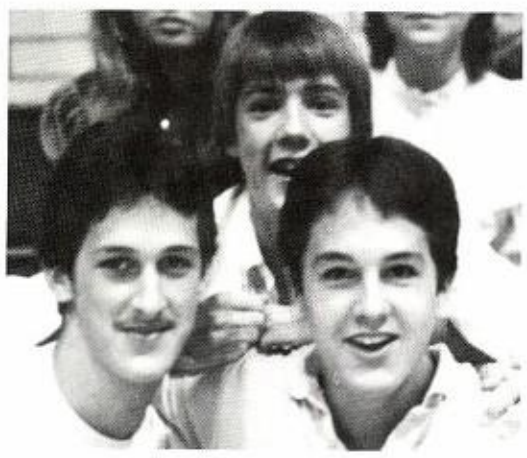
Do you want to be in pictures? Do you want to be a star?

If that were the questions asked to the typical ham, the answer would be a definite "YES!" They were always there, those hams, right out in front of every picture, every roll of film, their arms outstretched like an airplane's wings. Those hams were the first in the crowd to detect the wandering lens of the camera with their uncanny radar. Always the first to leap forward armed with a full set of pearly whites. When they saw a camera, they forgot rules, conventions, friends, Romans and countrymen as they tried to hog any flash.

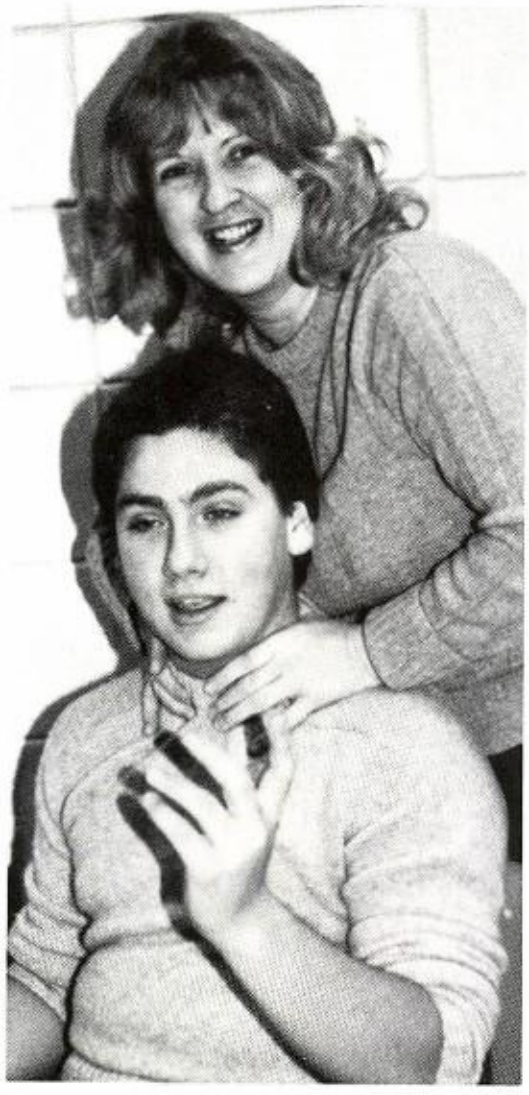
Photographer Jim Gray was baffled by the bizarre behavior exhibited whenever he pulled out his camera. "They go wild," he said in amazement. "You'd think that they were going to be all over the front page. I just wish that they would have more respect for what I'm trying to do instead of trying to block a good picture."

When it comes to being in a picture, people divide themselves into two categories. There are the hams who will jump rivers to be front and center, and the camera-shy who avoid the click of the lens like the plague.

"I admit I'm a ham," confessed Anna Moon. "It's nothing to be ashamed of — almost everybody is one. There are some people who hate getting their pictures taken — I'm just not one of them. Even though I'm pretty obvious about



PEEK A BOO. Robert Blankenship and Darren Caillouet grin toothily for the camera as Stuart Williams edges between their heads.

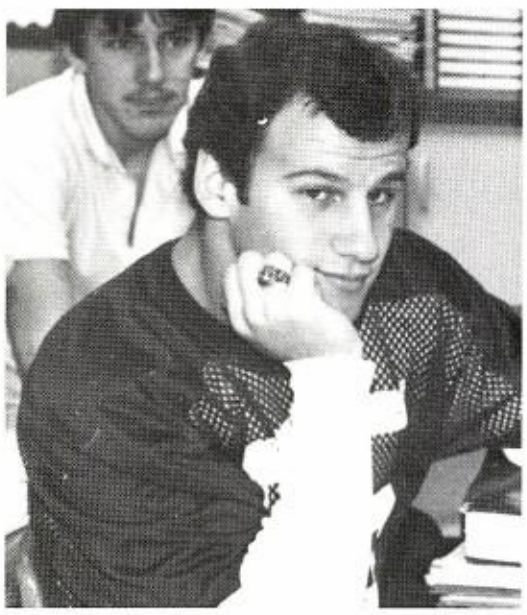


GET A GRIP. Ms. Vallee takes hold to Pat Vartuli, junior, during first hour chemistry, after he did not complete his homework assignment.

THE DEVIL MADE ME DO IT. Michelle LeFleur and Chuck McCauley, sophomores, were all sugar and spice while Stuart Morstead took their halos away.

DOUBLE VISIONS: Tracy Hart and Gabrielle Williams, dressed alike on junior sponsored twin day during homecoming week.

Dances, Parties, Rallies and Jams Are Places Where You Find Hams.

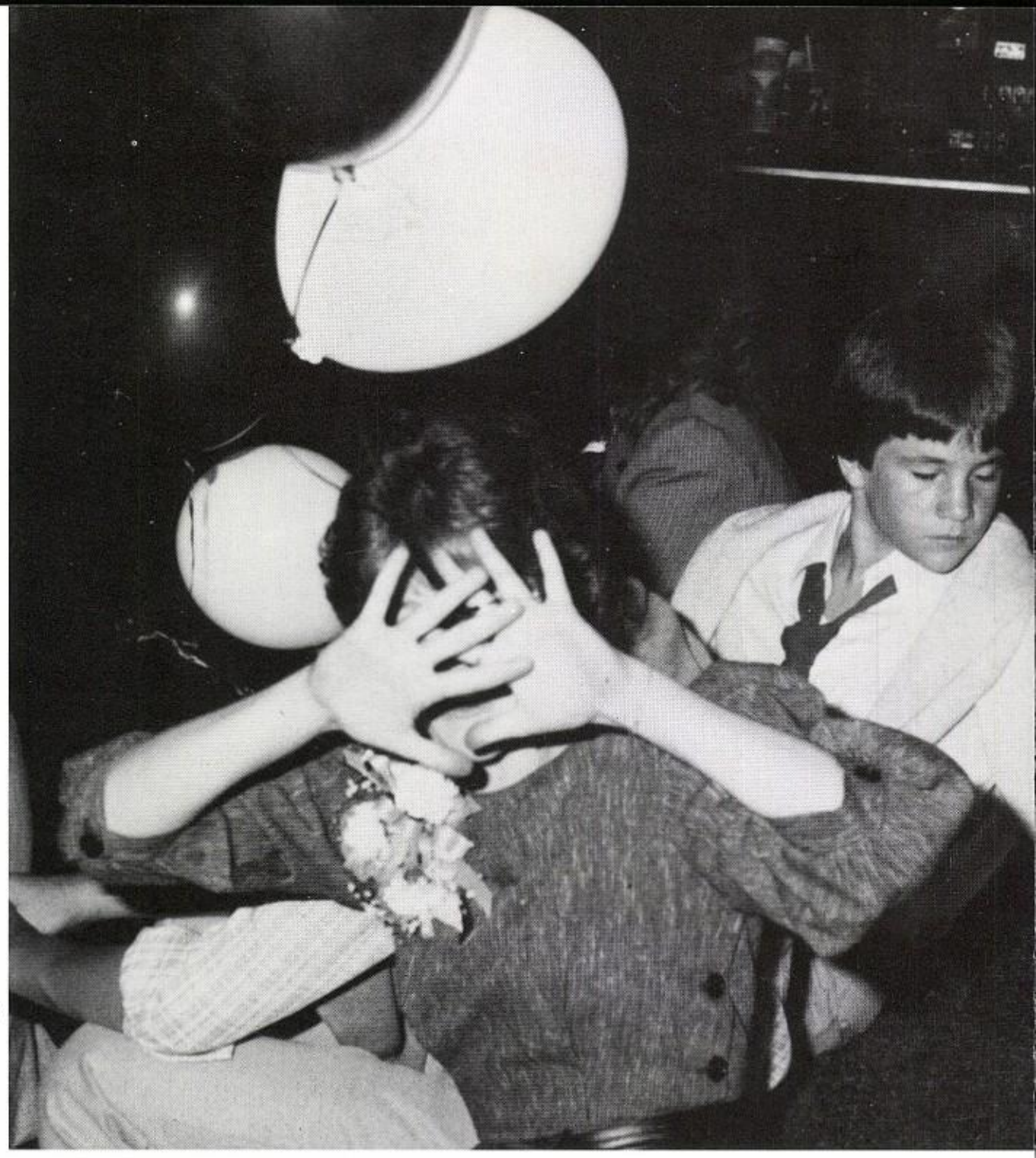


TOTAL BOREDOM. James Bushnell, senior, is totally excited with his 1st hour English class.

PICTURE PERFECT. Stephanie Wallace and Scott Myers, seniors, give us their best shot at the Homecoming dance.

DEFINITELY ALL "A's". These guys are obviously proud of the grades they received on their report cards.

In All The World, There Will Never Be Anyone Like — Me



STOP! Freshman, Becky Demarie hides her face from the photographer during a quiet moment at the Homecoming Dance.

KASPAR IS NOT A FRIENDLY GHOST! John Kaspar, senior, gorges his way through Eric Roan, junior; and seniors Jeff Hamic, Maureen Marcon, and Jordan Harlow; as they get high on the spirit of the Barbe vs. Acadiana game.

THREE'S COMPANY, MORE'S ALLOWED. Everyone tries to get in on the action when the camera appears in Ms. Lancon's fourth hour French I class.

TAMMY, A HAM! Tammy Perry, senior, was speechless when asked, "Which is your good side?" She couldn't decide either.

Hamming (Cont.)

it, there are plenty of people who are secretly hams. When I'd see someone with a camera at school, I'd also notice a pack of kids trailing along behind. Some people will do about anything to get in a picture."

A ham's reaction at the sight of a camera was an interesting phenomenon. The ham began to eye the photographer like a hungry wolf peering at a tender lamb. The way hams surrounded a camera to pose and strut was similar to the way a swarm of pirhanas attack a piece of flesh. They proceeded to act "normal" — tall people standing in front of midgets, short people wrestling tall people to the ground, scuffling, kicking, soon a full scale riot would erupt. All in good fun. A smart photographer would pretend to take pictures and then slip away before the tear gas arrived.

Whether it was the low-key ham with the friendly smiles and waves or the flamboyant ham jumping in front of the camera, anyone could be a ham. Whether goat-ropers, band jocks, phase-3 jocks, or jock-jocks — they shared a common quality — their addiction to hamming it up. — MARSHALL

NUMBER ONE AGAIN! Jill Welborn, freshman, and juniors Anjeannette Leger and Paula Raley show they're still number one after winning their last game of the LC-B district tournament.

Fun in the Sun

Work as Well as Play

No season gets as much of a reception as summer. In honor of its appearance schools close, businesses shut their doors, and students car-jam their way to the Lake Charles beaches. It is common knowledge that all things take second priority to goofing off in the summer.

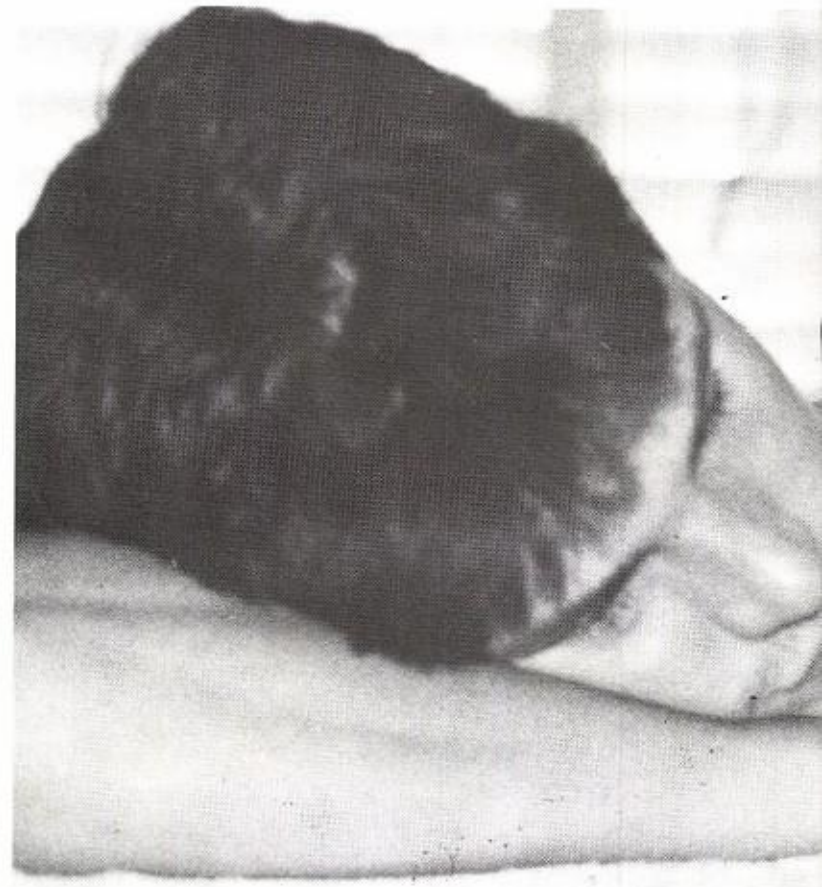
The Lake Charles beaches look like they've been hit by a swarm of bathers. The only time you can catch a glimpse of the sand is before dawn and after dusk. Mark Bauer, Bethyn Dawson, and Cindy Bates, juniors, shed their Calvin Kleins and donned their Dauphins to join the pack at the beach.

Summer wasn't always fun and games though, the fun was frequently interrupted with the other thing that comes with getting out of school. Chores — the parents' babysitter — was used to keep the kids from going out.

The minute I got home from school on that last day," sighed Senior Paul Self, "My mom had a mile-long list of things to do waiting for me."

Senior Kelli Gregg grinned, "Even though I had some chores to do they didn't stop me from going out and partying."

From chores to loafing to fun, the summer was full of adventure and excitement. The season of relaxation and recuperation certainly lived up to its name. The word "fantastic" summed it up.



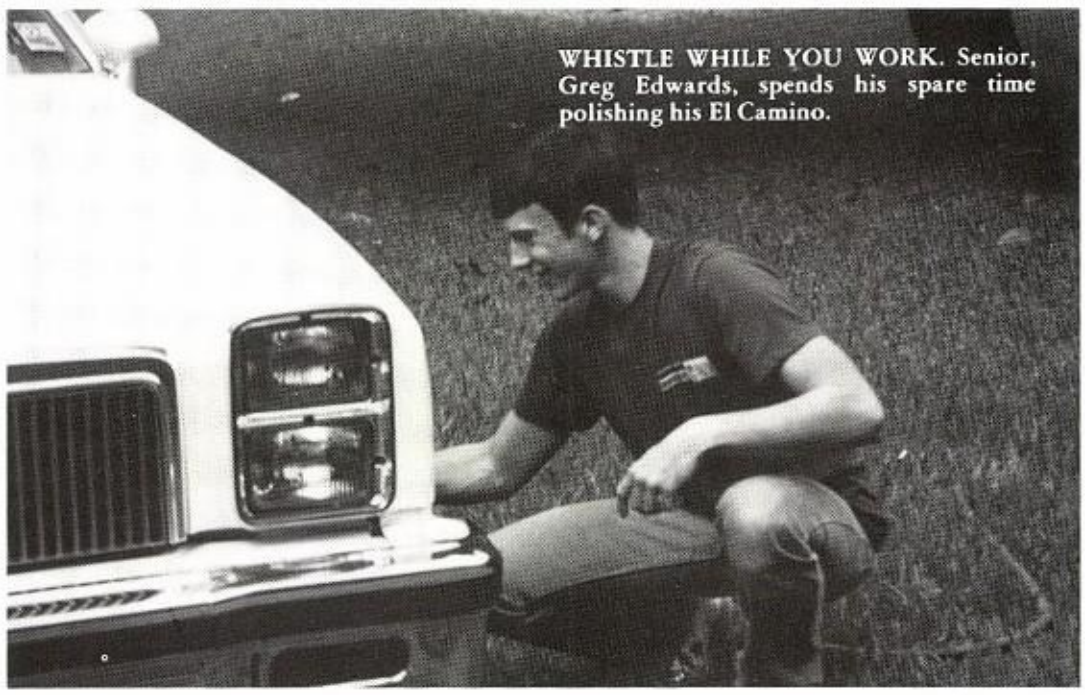
SPLISH SPLASH. Senior, Brett Tate, hydroslides on Lake Charles and makes a splash of waves.

LIGHTS OUT. Senior, Rusty Cart, steals a cat nap on a hot summer day at football camp in Monroe.

TOO MUCH TIME ON MY HANDS. During the long summer hours senior Sheila Stevenson gets a chance to keep up with her daily soaps.

Surfin', Swimmin' and Snoozin' BHS Style

THE NEXT BEST THING TO BEING THERE. Senior Shawn and freshman, Shea Bohannon, lounge around their pool and chat on the phone with friends.

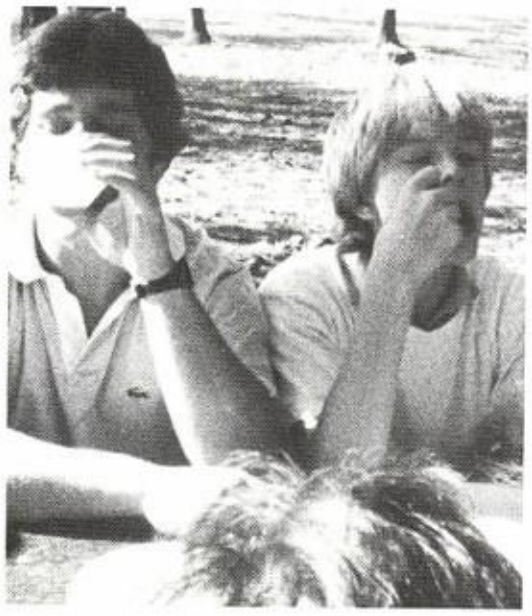


WHISTLE WHILE YOU WORK. Senior, Greg Edwards, spends his spare time polishing his El Camino.

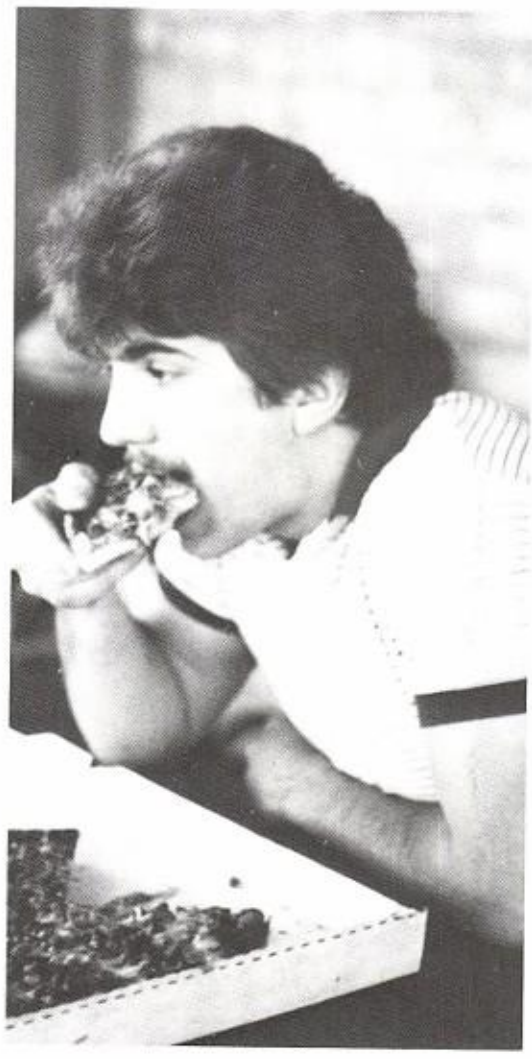
MOTOWN. One freshman, Jennifer Dunn, uses her free time mowing lawns to make a little extra pocket money.

EIGHT IS ENOUGH. Eight students, eager for a road trip to Lafayette, jam into a compact Mazda for a change of pace.

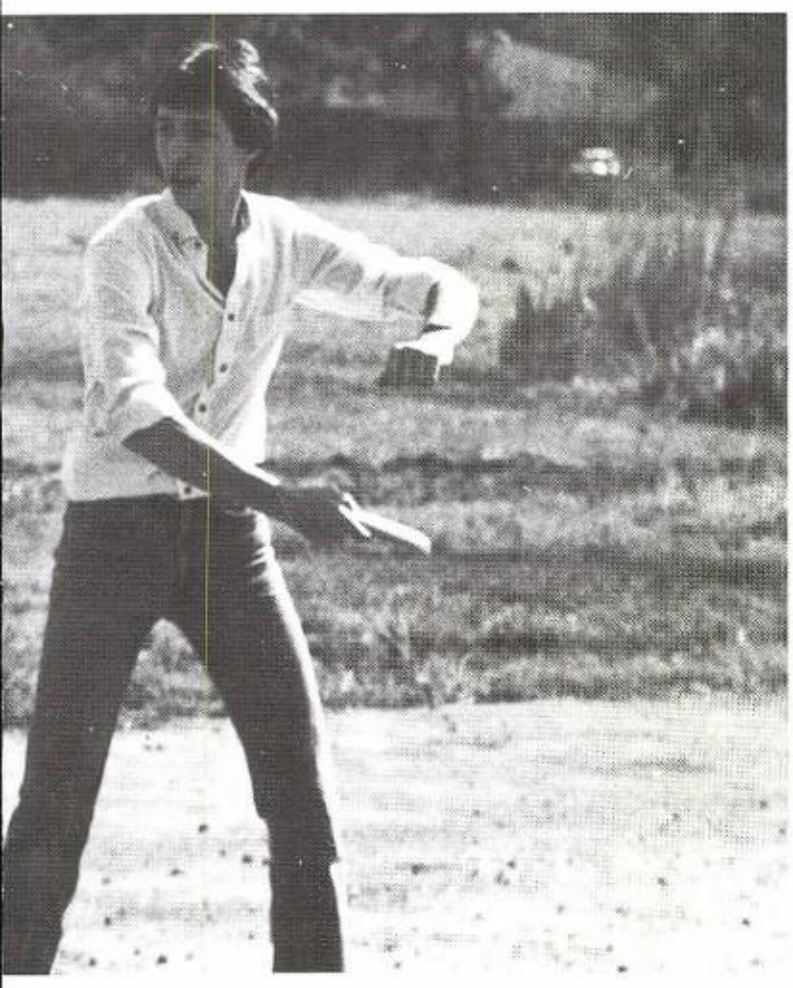
Just Lettin' Go



PIG OUT. Sophomores Skip Rogers and Rolf Morstead dig into hot dogs and cokes at sunny Sam Houston Park.



Mmm-Mmm GOOD. One hungry senior, Troy Duhon, orders a Mr. Gatti's pizza and eats it on his patio.



FLYIN' HIGH. Senior, Jerry Busby, takes aim and spends his day playing frisbee with a friend.

A HAMIC OR A HAMMOCK? Senior Jeff Hamic spends an afternoon just hanging around at Shepherd's Rest in Choupique.

JUST A TRIM! Freshman Jennifer Dunn spends her Saturday giving her sister Amy, senior, a haircut on the front lawn.

Gettin' Away

Lazy Days

It was a distant but glorious vision, the shining hope that kept the masses from going crazy. It was an incentive to bring encouragement to an otherwise depressing situation. It was the promise of two days of freedom called a "weekend."

Once it had started, the main goal was cramming as much partying into 48 hours as was humanly possible. There were dates, parties, and school sporting events to amuse the serious weekenders. "The entire weekend is just one big party!" proclaimed junior, Doug Felton. In agreement, Cathy McCreedy added, "I love the dances on Friday night! Everybody goes to them, so you can always be sure to find some of your friends there."

Some people also found joy in daytime activities. Shopping, sleeping and playing tennis were at the top of most lists. "I like to go to Town and Country Center in Houston," commented Cheleen Shaw, sophomore. "They've got the best stores around!"

Not everyone spent the weekend having fun. Some were condemned to hard labor: mowing the grass, weeding, and vacuuming the house. Others were doing time for less-than-wonderful report cards. "I hate being punished," complained sophomore, Michelle Pizanie. "All week long, I make big plans for the weekend. Friday comes, we get report cards, and there I am . . . punished again!"

No matter what happened on the weekend, it was almost always better than the week. As students settled into their desks on Tuesday the distant memories of freedom floated out the window. The weekend had come and gone again. "I woke up this morning," recalled Shawn Corkran "and I thought it was Friday. Then, I remembered it was only Wednesday. But there's only two days left!"
CHOZEN

Dancing

The Night Away

The hassles, the fusses, the headaches. Shouting was the only way to carry on a conversation with all the pounding music. The mob of people all bunched up together. The lines for pictures that lengthened every minute. All the little minus points about dancing. What made everyone enjoy them so much?

The dances had themes ranging from the traditional formality of prom to the semi-formal Homecoming and Twirp to the casual fun of Sadie Hawkins. Dances were the best places to see and be seen whether it was a long-awaited, carefully arranged extravaganza or just an eleven o'clock impulse. Kids could come to dances and just talk without being asked to leave the premises.

The battle between the sexes seemed to be evening out. Of the four major dances held each year, two, Twirp and Sadie Hawkins, were centered around the fact that the girl asked the boy. Chorus sponsored Twirp fell near Valentine's Day, on February 11, so the "King of Hearts" was a natural selection for a theme. The dance's colors were the colors of the playing cards: red, white, and black.

Sadie Hawkins, held by the Art Club May 11, was a more casual experience. Couples wore matching clothes as they enjoyed Cajun fun. As in years past, the crowds mobbed the Marriage Booth for pictures and a certificate in Cajunese.

Penny Junker attended both dances. "People were more sedate at Twirp," she observed. "The people at Sadie were more hyper. I didn't think the d. j. played enough slow songs."

Opinions of the dances differed, "I don't like dancing," complained Denise Harter. "I always feel like I look stupid."

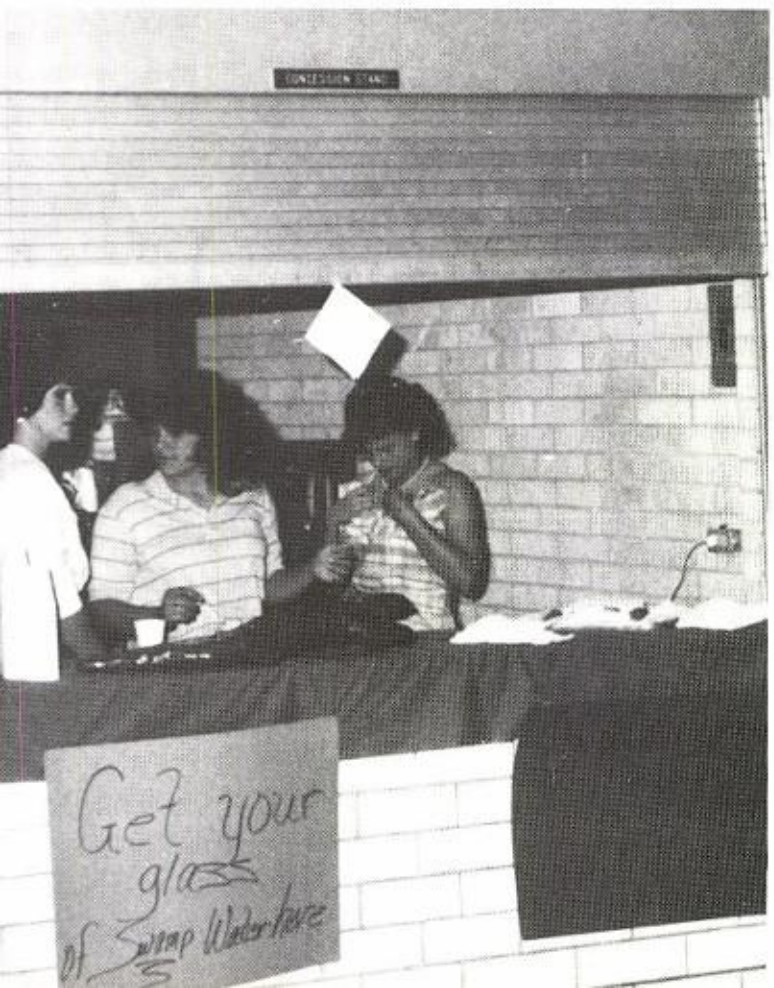
"I like the dances," contradicted Chuck Gay. "I think they're a lot of fun." — MARSHALL

ALMOST PARADISE. Juniors Kim Martin and Paul Cormier slow dance during Sadie Hawkins.

WHAT A MOB! Senior Jim Hutchins and Sophomore Kelley Sullivan are amazed at the Sadie crowd.

1, 2, 3, 4
Please don't
Step on my
blue suede shoes

FER SURE. Sophomore Mary McCann and Juniors Becky Rogers, Kitty Stephens, Kathy McMillian, and Angie Logan celebrate the gift of gab during the Camouflage dance.



COME 'N GET IT. Tammy Webb, and Freshmen Janie Cole and Anna Bushnell help out in the concession stand during Sadie Hawkins.

I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW. No one told Mary Ann Davis, freshman, that eyes are supposed to be closed when one sways to "mood" music.

CHEESE! Seniors Allen Darbonne and Debbie Pruden practice smiling for the camera before taking their Sadie Hawkins pictures.

Contrabanding

Jean Lafitte Returns

Back for its 26th appearance, Contraband Days commemorated the coming of buccaneer Jean Lafitte to Lake Charles. Local legend says that on his trips here, he buried his treasures in the Contraband Bayou. While few search for it today, thousands of people flock to Contraband Days every year.

The landing of the Buccaneers at the Civic Center seawall and their capturing of the city kicked off the two week festival. An evening parade full of colorful floats, brassy marching bands, and notable local personalities brought the crowds to watch the proceedings and even catch a handful of plastic beads, dubloons, or candy. "I went to the parade, but I didn't catch anything," complained junior Dawn Huhn.

The Matt Armstrong carnival was also visited by nearly everyone who attended the festival. Thrilling rides, games of chance, and food stands were common sights on the Civic Center grounds. "The rides were a lot of fun," enthused sophomore Gina Eggers, "especially for a local carnival. It was great!"

The bed and bathtub races, always an unusual event, was more than unusual this year — it was truly bizarre. Students from school even claimed 1st place in the bed races. Riding their bed to victory: Andrew Gray, Don Seymour, Virgil Smith, John Howarden, and Scott Riviere victoriously crossed the line representing the local Boy Scouts. "We were really surprised when we won," concluded Andrew Gray.

The lake provided the perfect scene for sailboat regattas. Grady Akins, sophomore, was in the winning boat of Sunday's race. After a fruitless Saturday afternoon race, his boat came from last place to second, passing the last marker just as the time limit ended. Because of the make of his boat, it was judged as making better time than the one ahead of it, and it won.

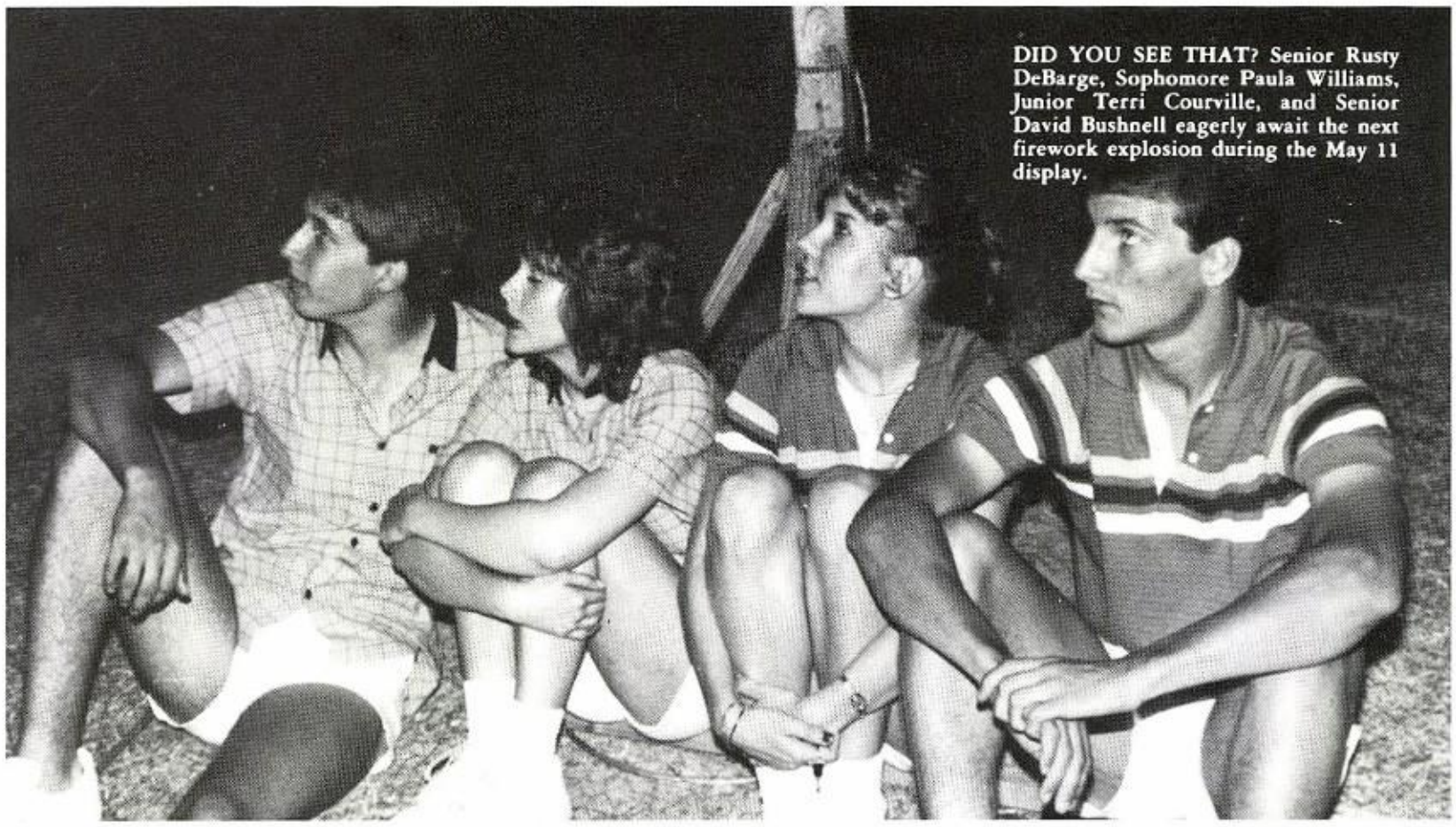
The spirit of Jean Lafitte abounded during Contraband Days. Eating, drinking, and being merry was the general rule in the region of the Civic Center, the home base of the festival. For a short while, two weeks in May, Jean Lafitte returned to Lake Charles once again. — CHOZEN.

AND THE ROCKETS RED GLARE. Many Barbe students went to see the fireworks display before going on to the Sadie Hawkins dance.

A Bed Race, a Bathtub, and a Lot of Sore Feet.

WE THINK WE CAN, WE THINK WE CAN! The Boy Scouts were well represented in the Bed Race by Juniors Andrew Gray and Scott Riviere, Freshman Don Seymour, and Virgil Smith and John Howarden.

I'LL HUFF AND I'LL PUFF. Junior Eric Bohdan concentrates on his ultimate goal, finishing the five-mile race.



DID YOU SEE THAT? Senior Rusty DeBarge, Sophomore Paula Williams, Junior Terri Courville, and Senior David Bushnell eagerly await the next firework explosion during the May 11 display.

'Tis the Season

for Love and Folly

Amidst a chorus of hallelujahs, students pour out of school for another round of mayhem and madness during the holidays.

Coming a month between holidays, Halloween gets attention galore. But, after years of trick-or-treating high school students finally kicked the habit and spent "the night of the living dead" getting scared out of their skull watching horror movies or just cruising around town. "All I did this year was go over to a friend's house and wish I could have some of her brother's candy," divulged Mary Ellen Marshall.

Immediately after Thanksgiving's fabulous feast of foods, the decorations went up. The Christmas spirit began to take root as trees were decorated, presents bought, and greeting cards mailed. The Chorus presented a polished performance of "Scrooge," a musical version of Dicken's *A Christmas Carol*. Not all found it easy to get into the swing of things. "I didn't have any Christmas spirit," admitted Lisa Gray. "When I lived in Pittsburgh, it snowed every year. Here in Lake Charles it's warmer."

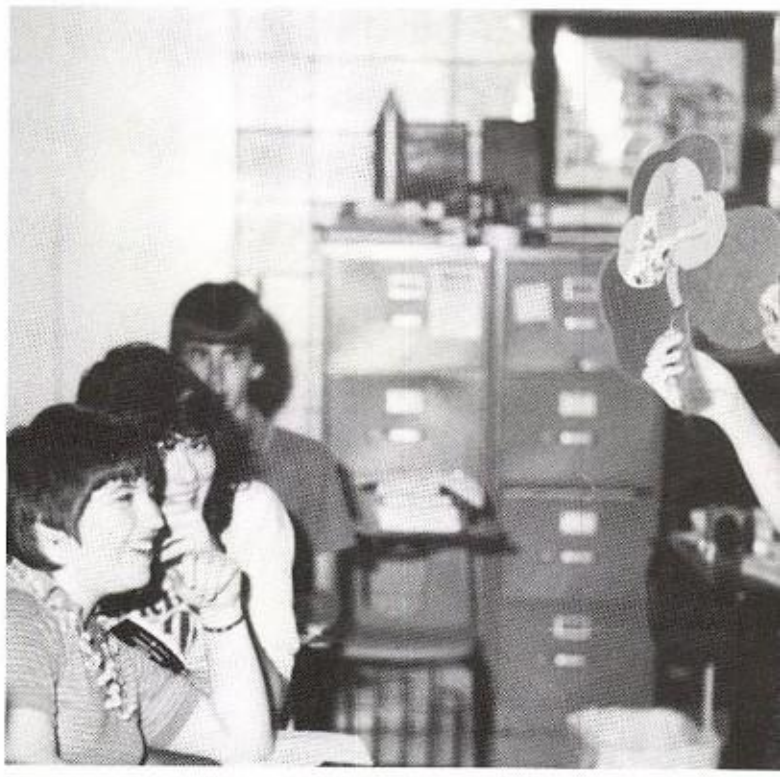
New Year's Day came and went leaving a wake of bowl games and a bunch of tired students in its path. But radicals like Pam Chozen wouldn't leave it like this. "I watched football for 10 minutes and it bored me to death. So, I watched an LSU basketball game instead.

Love was in bloom as Cupid fired his arrows at will on St. Valentine's Day. Art Club helped spread the love message by taking orders and sending val-o-grams to awaiting lovebirds.

Love turned into lunacy as Mardi Gras madness swept through the state. But, there weren't many people staying home this year. Murray Greene, Jay Arnold, Angela Richard, and Stephanie Bogle chose to steal away for a week in the mountains as did countless others.

Easter came April 22, almost a month later than it did last year. But, did this stop people from celebrating the coming of the Bunny? "All through the Easter holidays I was on a chocolate crave," admitted Laura Peveto.

Holidays come and go quicker than fashion trends. Things are bought, said, done, and then, many times forgotten. But that holiday spirit lives on.



IT'S THE BOY! Cathy McCreedy, junior, dresses up as Boy George during Mardi Gras.

X-mas, Easter
and many more
make the year
less of a bore.

A TOUCH OF IRISH. Mrs. McDonald tells her 5th. hour English class about St. Patrick's Day.

ONE, TWO, THREE, THROW. Freshman Judy Boyett prepares to throw a necklace during the Mardi Gras parade.

IS IT A BIRD? Senior Becky Hyatt jumps over a mogul when she escapes to Riodosa, N.M. during the Christmas holidays.

THE EARS HAVE IT. Senior Cynthia Jenkins helps her cousin, Cynthia Bellon, put rabbit ears on while preparing for the S.O.S. Easter egg hunt.

Fashion

Buc Style

Just another year academic-wise, and at first glance fashion-wise. Just the usual assortment of jeans, jackets, T-shirts, and tennis shoes. But take a closer look . . .

Argyle sweaters, flashdance tatters, Japanese lettering, or all of the above — layered, it seemed that any trendy style fit as long as it had the elusive combination of mass appeal and individuality.

Sweaters and jeans were widely worn during the winter months. Member's Only jackets appeared to be favored for keeping warm. Ski vests were seen on those whose thoughts weren't focused on geometry but on dazzling white slopes. Ski bums returned from their excursions wearing sweatshirts with the names Breckenridge, Keystone, and Red River plastered on. The hardy student roughed it on cold days, clad in a flannel shirt with long underwear peeking out from the collar and sleeves.

"Sometimes I wished that I had brought a jacket when it was warm outside," complained Cathie Burge. "It was always freezing in Mrs. MacDonald's room — even without the air-conditioner on. So I had trouble deciding what to wear."

What to wear? That was an important question every morning. How to look better than anyone else without trying. Jeans were always the favorite to fall back on. The classic Levis were joined by new variations: stonewashed, baggies, pin-striped, and cropped to the ankle. Pants legs were tucked into short leather boots for the feel of the Russian tundra. However, not all approved.

"They don't look Russian — they look stupid," scowled Paul Self. "I can't stand those little 'fairy boots.'"

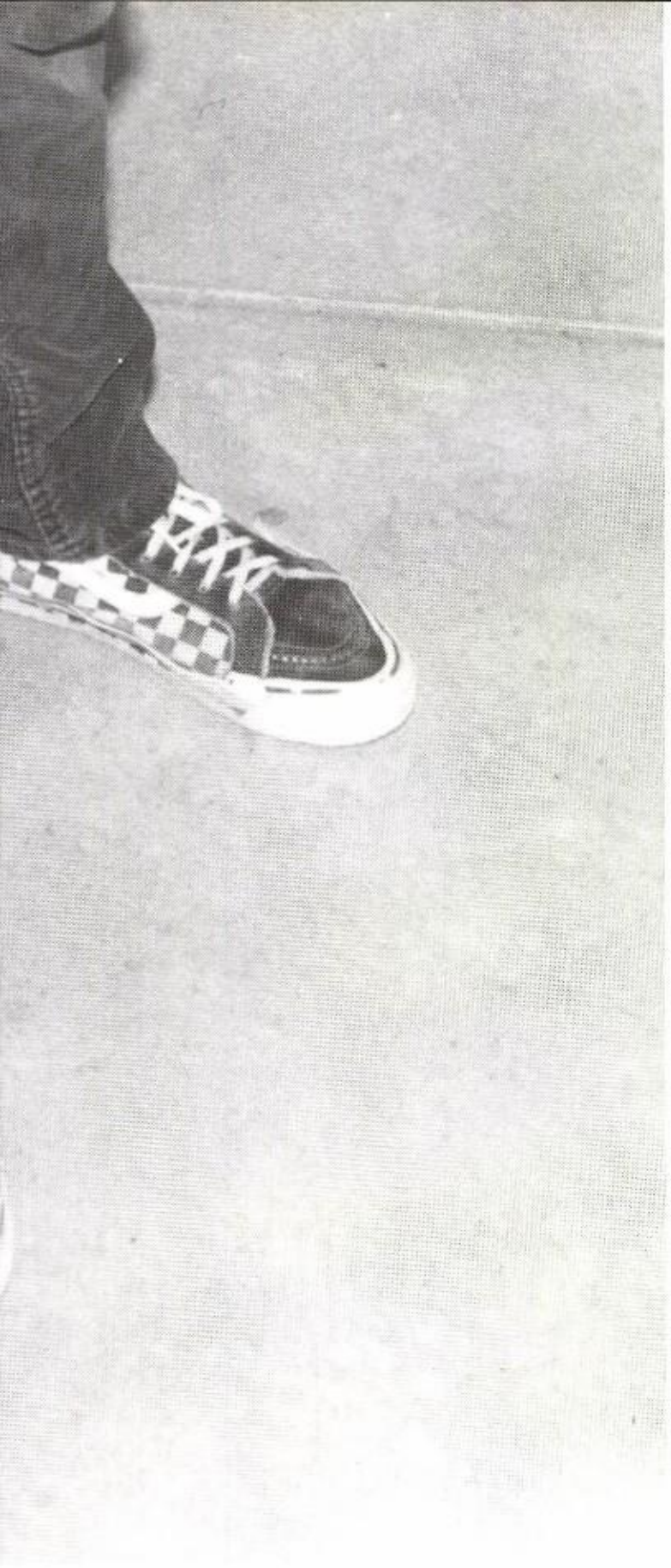
Topsiders remained on the typical comfort-valuing foot, along with loafers and sneakers. For instance, sophisticated girls wore brightly colored high-heeled pumps, ignoring pain for style. Junior, Sabrena Breaux, often wore hot pink pumps.

What to wear? was an anxiety on rainy days. Clever girls combined style and practicality on wet mornings. Sharon Racer, Michelle Westney, Liz Pitre, and Amy and Jennifer Dunn fought the "drizzly drips" with water retardent rain slickers. The most popular color combination was navy blue and a bright green lining decorated with little whales.

When there was nothing left to wear in the closet, many fell back on the ever-popular T-shirts and jerseys promoting school spirit. Guy Pujol's electric-blue Bucs T-shirt could always be counted to set the pace Friday as he dressed Buc style.

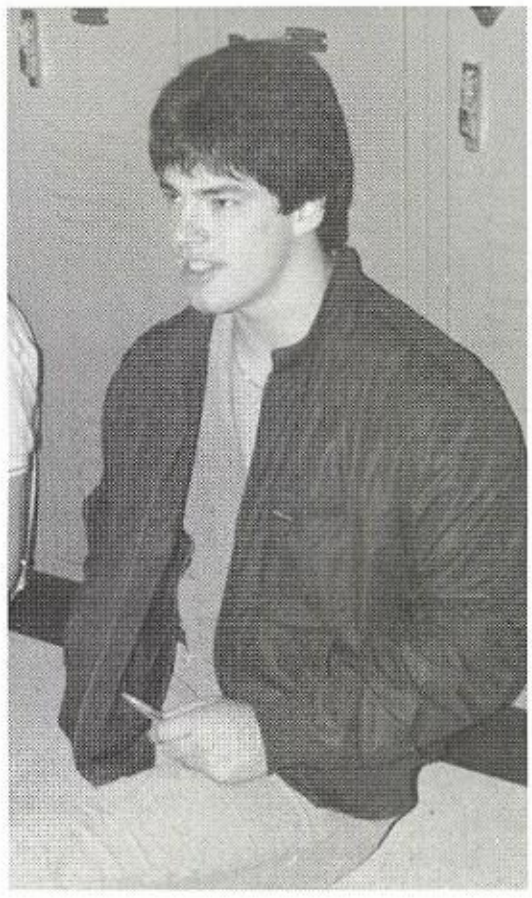
SCHOOL SPIRIT. Dressed in Buc attire, junior, Lisa Gray, participates in the Powder Puff Football Game.

Spirit
Fun
Enthusiasm



BACK IN BLACK. Senior, Tina Duplechain, dresses up in black and silver to receive her cap and gown and invitations in the new gym.

CAMOUFLAGE COLORS. Junior, John Feucht rests in the commons in his hunting gear after fourth hour.

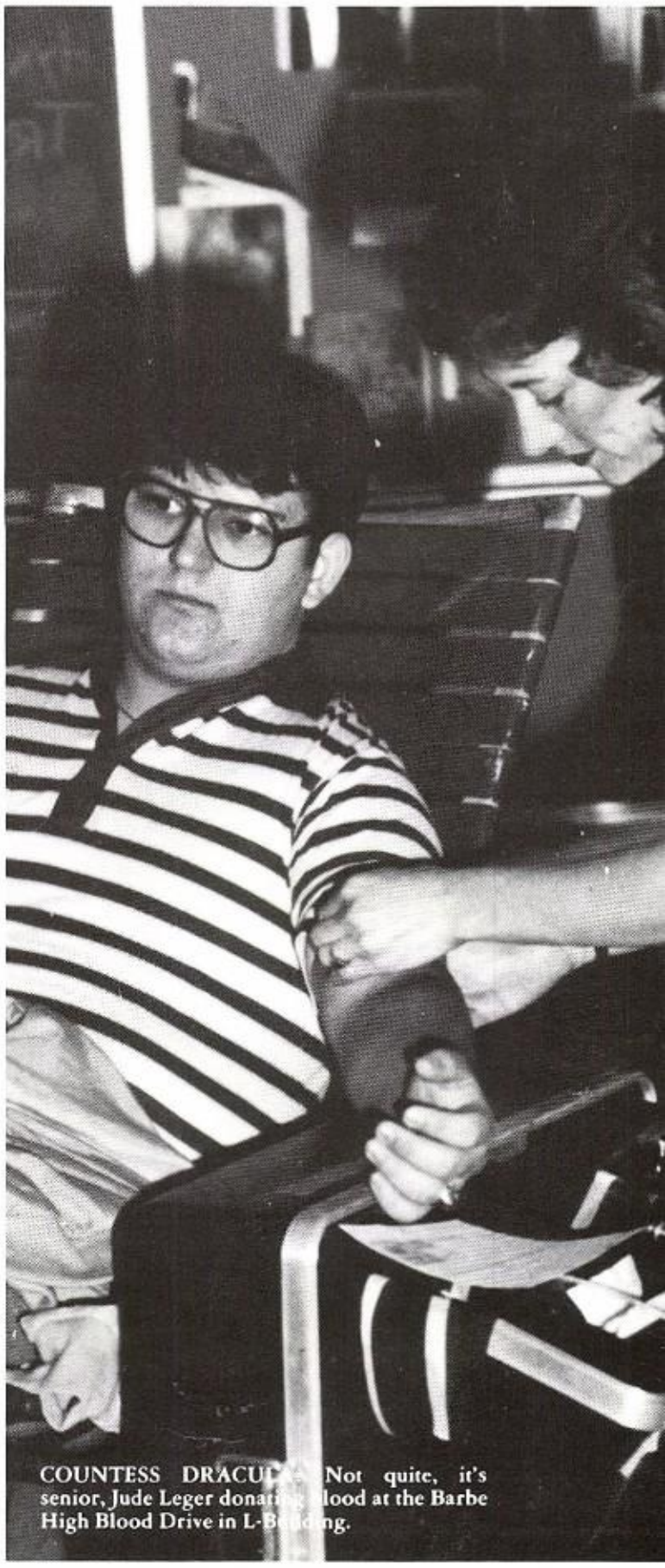


MEMBERS ONLY. Mike Booth, senior, displays his new jacket before school in L building.

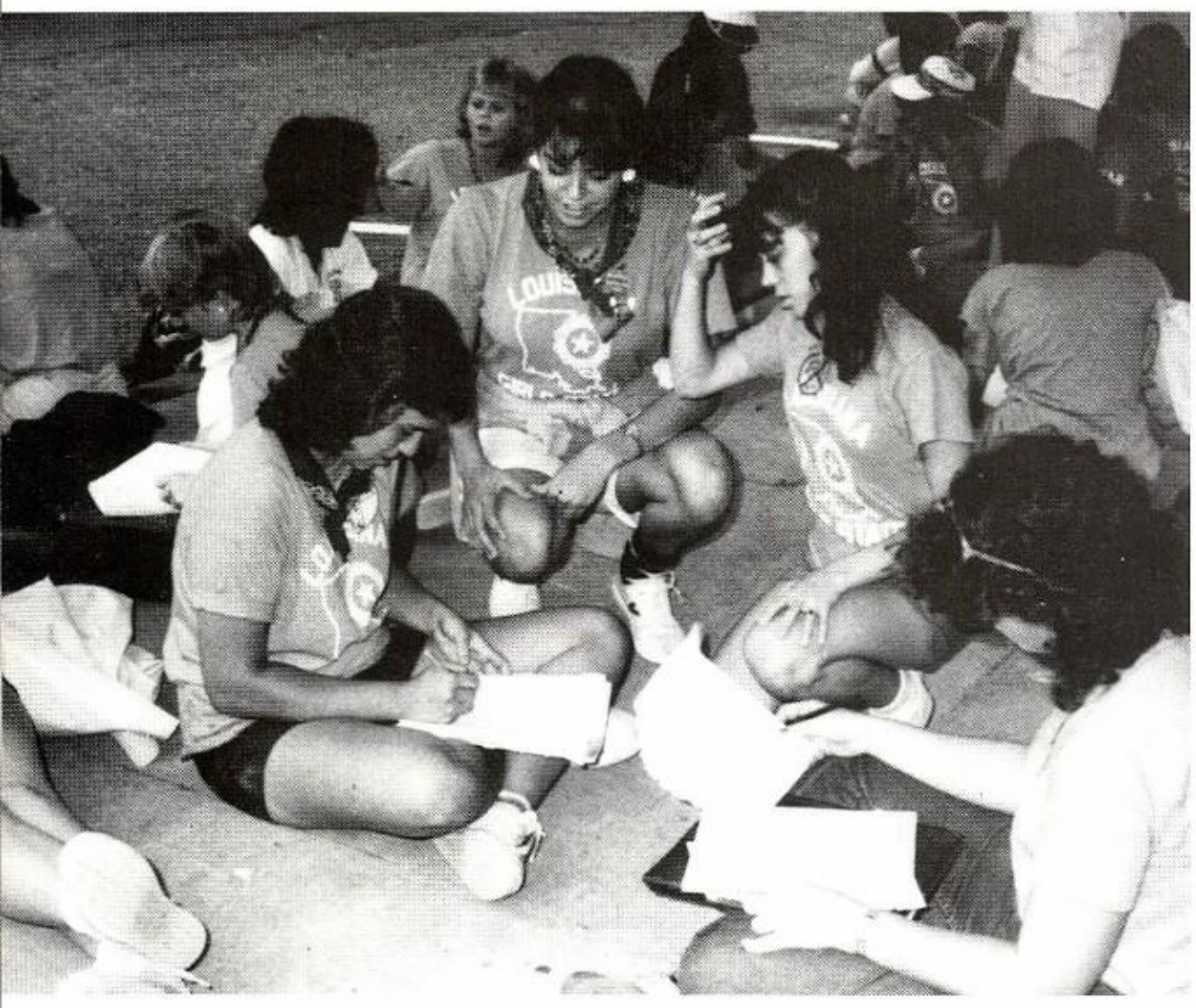
CONE HEADS? No, it's just senior Richard Verret and Sammy Hosea in their welding clothes busy finding a date.

Dancing, Donating, Dining

WATCH OUT BROADWAY. Here comes senior, Carol Thompson, displaying her performing talents at the Barbe Talent Show.



COUNTESS DRACUL[A]. Not quite, it's senior, Jude Leger donat[ing] blood at the Barbe High Blood Drive in L-B[uild]ng.



GATHER ROUND. Seniors Maureen Marcon, Karen Abate, and Sylvia Duhon get familiar with the arrangements at Girls' State.

CHOW DOWN. Miss Joan Vallee, Mrs. Judy Tarver, and Mrs. Jean Marnien arranged a banquet for literary participants. Ravin Agrawal reaps his awards.

DISCO'S DEATH! The latest fad of "breakdancing" swept the New Gym as Ricky Hawkins, Tyrone Fincher, Mike Johnston, London Rankins and Stuart LeBlanc took 1st place at the Talent Show.

It's All a Part of

Being a Buc

During the school year, students participated in extra activities that added to their academic studies. These intellectual exercises and their participants were hailed as prestigious and scholarly. These events brought the intelligent out to shine in all their radiance.

English Quiz Bowl, held for the first time, turned out to be an activity that both the contestants and the audience enjoyed. Comparable to Trivial Pursuit, only with English-oriented questions, it consisted of four teams of seven people who together attempted to answer questions about grammar and literature. When some questions proved to be too difficult for the teams to answer, the audience was invited to guess. "We came in last, but it was fun just to participate in it!" remarked freshman Chris Rhame. Added sophomore Lisa Miller, "There were some questions about things I'd never heard of, but usually the seniors on the team knew those answers."

Students journeyed to McNeese to participate in District Literary Rally, March 17. This was a competition where one student went to compete against other schools in an academic subject, ranging from Home Economics to Vocational Agriculture to Physics. The cream of the academic crop were out in full force. "The waiting was the hardest part," claimed Sam Sonnier. Participants included: Ravin Agrawal, Pam Chozen, Doug Cochran, Lisa Comeaux, Susan Connella, Paul Cooper, Shawn Corkran, Mike Cox, Sylvia Duhon, David Fluegal, and Michelle Fontenot. (continued page 37 . . .)

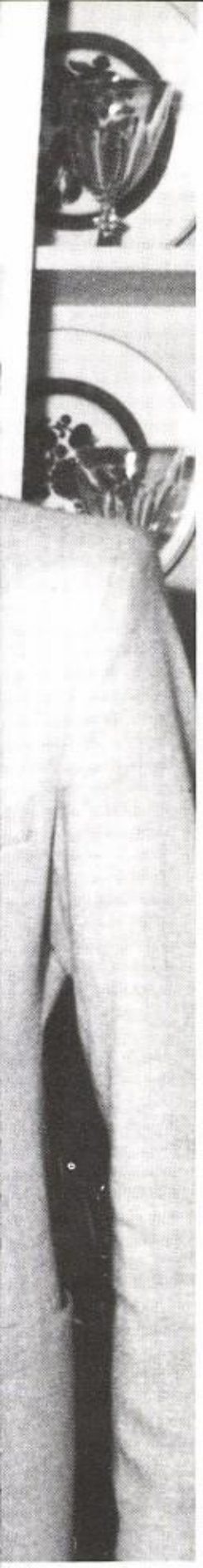
NOT READY YET. Senior, Kevin Guillory has second thoughts about marrying junior, Kitty Stephens at the Home Ec. mock-weddings.

WHERE'S THE BEEF? Mr. Buddy Hamic, principal, cooks steaks for the banquet honoring Literary Rally winners.

DR. JEKYL. Senior, Eric Eisen demonstrates different chemical properties at the biochemistry show.

Painting
Flying
Cooking & BBQing

TAKING IT EASY. Junior, David Monceaux recuperates from knee surgery on an injury he received at a LaGrange game.



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Also Stephanie Fontenot, Andrew Gray, Lisa Gray, Tina Himilton, Amanda Harrington, Scott Henderson, Lauren Lashbrooke, Everett Marshall, Michael McGee, Tien Nguyen, Eddie Parker, Ben Perkins, Sharon Racer, Elisa Rasmussen, Cher Reese, Larron Sonnier, Sam Sonnier, Jim Tarver, and Christie Zumalt.

The second step of rally occurred April 7. First and second place winners at district continued on to LSU to compete in State Literary Rally. As the contestants were weeded out, competition was stiffer. "I didn't go to state expecting to win," commented freshman Ravin Agrawal. "Mostly, I thought it was an honor. But I was pleased that I did well (fourth)."

Seven students, in fact, did well. Lisa Gray won first over-all in Bookkeeping, Sam Sonnier won second in Algebra I, Stephanie Chozen, David Fluegal, and Tien Nguyen placed third in German I, Biology, and French II, respectively. Ravin Agrawal placed fourth in French I and Lisa Comeaux, fifth in Advanced Math.

On the evening of March 20, the school held its annual Talent Show. Throughout the evening, many talented people performed, but a group of breakdancers, the Vipers, stole the show and won first place. Composed of Tyrone Fincher, Ricky Hawkins, Mike Johnson, Stewart LeBlanc, and London Rankins, they received a standing ovation for their routine performed to the song, "Rockit." Freshman Allison Miller claimed second place with her performance of an original musical composition. The singing duo of Jared Nelson and Kim Janes tied with Daphne Monier for third. Presented by the Senior class, it was attended by most of the student body. "The Vipers were really good," commented Leah LeBlanc. "They deserved first place."

Home Economics added a new twist to an old, established subject, performing a marriage ceremony and reception. Two students from each class were selected to become a bride and groom, while others played the parts of the attendants and guests.

As varied as the letters from "A"to "Z," the activities may have seemed strange to some, but each one added a necessary ingredient. Each was "a part of it all."

RED OR GREEN LIGHT? Junior Deirdre Halcomb is a member of Art II Special, an elite artists' group at Barbe that have done various projects.

FLYING HIGH. Seniors Tom Moore, Mike Stratton, and Rusty Cart won the first Biochem airplane contest that demonstrated aerodynamics.

Sports

Varsity Unknowns

School sports are always in the limelight, right? Everyone follows football, basketball, track, baseball and tennis. But how many people go out and watch a sailing regatta or a bicycle race? With a lack of spectator interest, the weekend athletes must use their performance alone to judge their abilities.

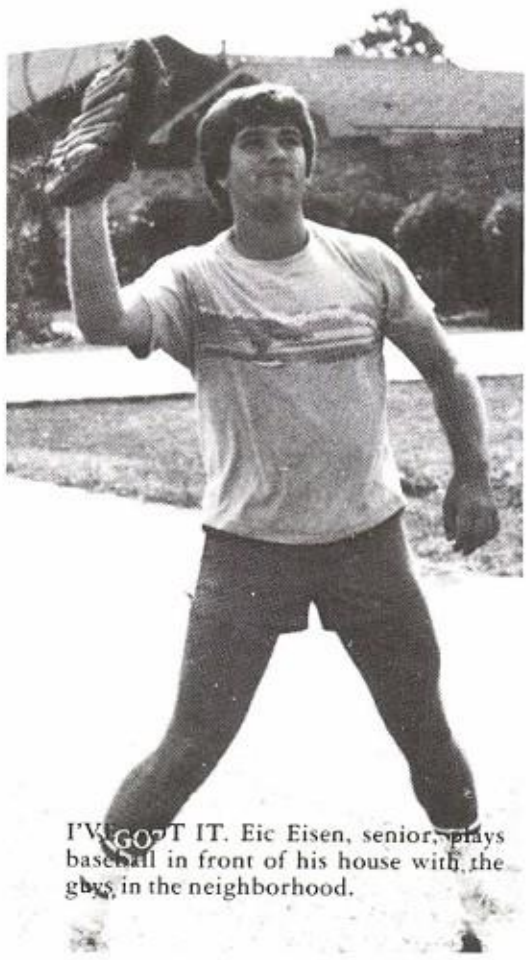
In the church basketball league, competitiveness and rivalries run rampant. The 15-team league was the subject of many a discussion during school hours. Numerous bluff bets were thrown into the pot as the confident players tried to psyche out their opponents.

Early Saturday mornings are usually spent sleeping or watching TV, but for several students it means heading, kicking, and scoring. Players in the Youth Soccer League were kept busy over the weekends attending soccer tournaments across the state. "The travel is a part of the game, like, practice, it's a necessity. We wouldn't get anywhere without it," emphasized Vincent Salvador.

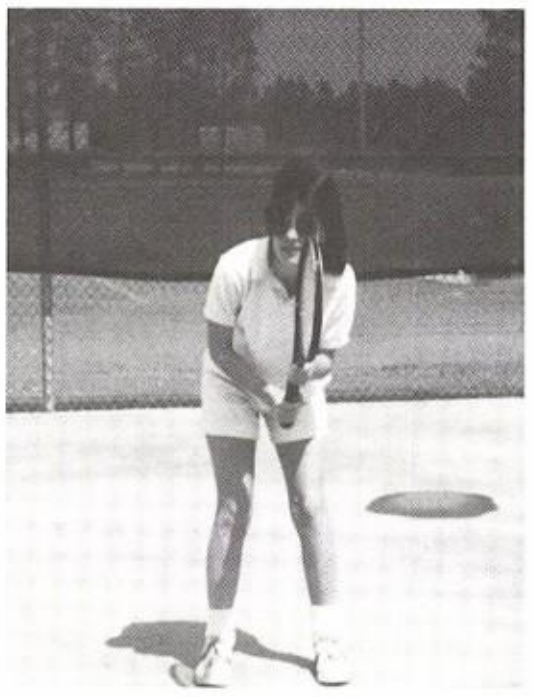
When sun and surf are mixed with sails and speed, an exhilarating combination is formed. "If I go out sailing before I enter a regatta, I don't consider that practicing. It's just having fun. That's why I enter races, because I don't feel any pressure during the competition," explained Craig Powell.

Filling the alleys over the weekend with barrels of balls, members of the local junior bowling league kept the pins falling. Talent did not come automatically as the junior bowlers spent several hours a week honing their abilities. "I go out most afternoons and practice because I want to be the best bowler I can be. Lots of people think bowling isn't a sport, but it takes a great deal of hard work and determination, not to mention skill and coordination, to become just a fair bowler," explained Janette Burgin.

For the varsity unknowns, there are no gigantic pep rallies, no special presents, and no extra praise. A T-shirt here or a small trophy there, is all the recognition they get. But for the week-end athlete, the self-satisfaction is enough.



I'VE GOT IT. Eic Eisen, senior, plays baseball in front of his house with the guys in the neighborhood.



TENNIS ANYONE? Senior, Jordan Harlow, plays a few sets of tennis with a friend and awaits a serve.

SPINING MY WHEELS. One freshman, Jeff Wojciechowski, pedals a few laps around the block to keep in shape.

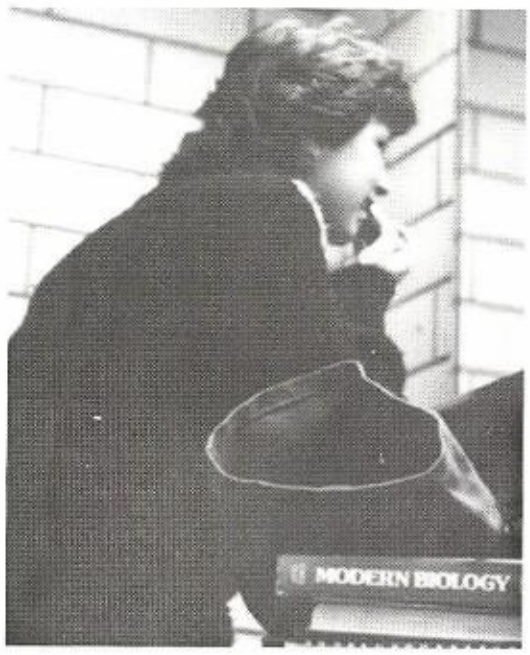
Sports for the Sport of It

UP AND DOWNS. Senior, Kevin Breaux, practices his soccer techniques before a game at Huber Park.

KUNG FU. David See, senior, breaks two boards with a karate chop during a talent show performance.

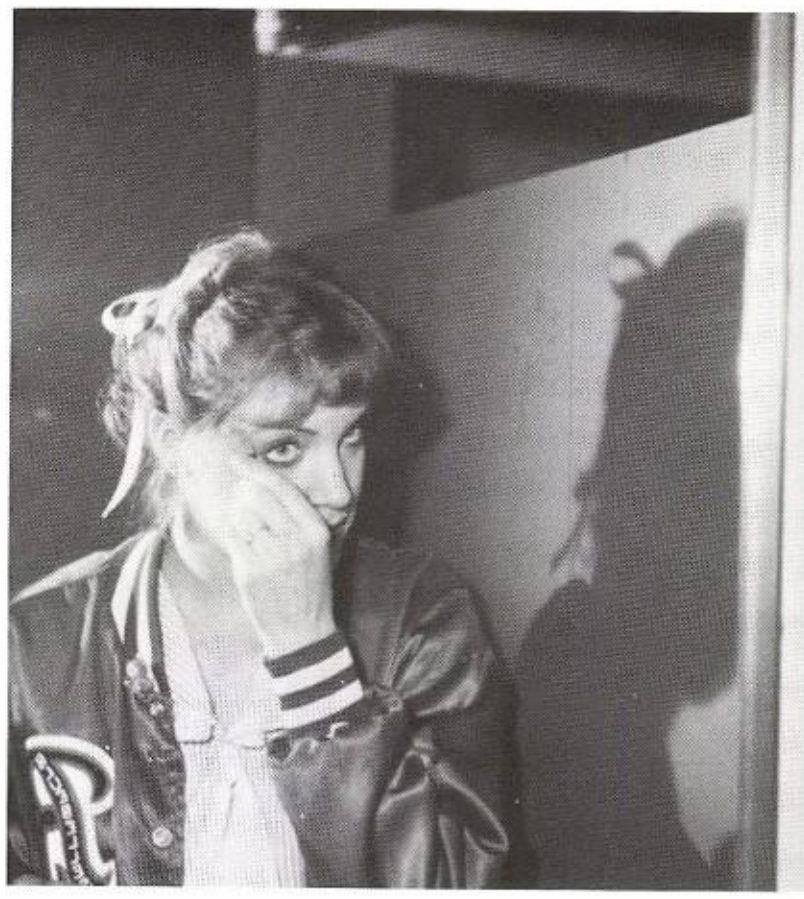
KICKS AREN'T the only thing on junior, Becky Rogers' mind before the LaGrange pep rally.

Fluffing brushing primping!



SURELY THE bell didn't ring already! Sophomore, Amy Doyle primps in C-Building bathroom. Where to stack one's books was always a problem.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT. Junior, Laurie Perry contours her cheekbones before entering the lunchroom.



Primpers

In a Mirror

Eyes on the clock, they raced from classrooms when the bell rang, heading for the nearest mirror. They were the primpers.

The bathroom was packed with them elbowing their way toward a vantage point in front of the mirror — center and middle. Books tottered on the edge of sinks, temporarily forgotten, as the primpers set to work.

They exchanged combs, lipsticks, and compacts. Two shared a mirror as one girl reapplied mascara. The other powdered her nose. All repaired the ravages of time etched on their faces after an hour of lecture.

Innocent by-standers weren't spared. "It was inconvenient whenever I tried to wash my hands," complained Penny Junker. "I got my eyes gouged out with combs, my ribs were bruised by elbows, and I inhaled dangerous quantities of perfume and hairspray."

Boys were somewhat puzzled at primpers' behaviors. "I dated a primper," said Paul Cormier. "It used to bother me the way she always had her mirror out. But, it's like everything else — you get used to it."

"I hate the fluorescent lights here," complained Becky Masters. "They make me look like I'm dead."

Whether for naught or not, they preened on, those primpers. In the privacy of the powder room, in the clutter of the classroom, and amidst the laughter of the lunchroom, they preened on. — Chozen

SHOW TIME. Bluebelle, Michelle McCann checks her makeup before the LaGrange pep rally.

POWDERING HER NOSE. Junior Lan Ewing touches up her makeup in L Building.

TERRIBLE TANGLES. Senior, Laurette Stevens pulls her brush through her long curls.

Dressin' It Up

For Southern Fantasies

A sultry, windy, night typical of spring in southwestern Louisiana. A big night for juniors and seniors to remember. A night when 'formal attire' was requested.

The juniors had a busy afternoon on April 28, decorating before rushing home to dress in their finest. When they left, the Country Club had been transformed into an ante-bellum dream to go with the theme of "Southern Fantasies." And that night when the club filled again, it looked like a scene from an old Civil War movie.

Great transformations had occurred in the time since school was let out on Friday. The boys were decked out in tuxedoes and shiny shoes. They were cavalier as they added canes, top-hats, cummerbands, tails and a few even added glacier glasses.

The girls were Scarlett O'Hara doubles in lacy, hoop-skirts, and parasols. The more daring ventured forth in vampy, lowcut strapless formals in dramatic shades.

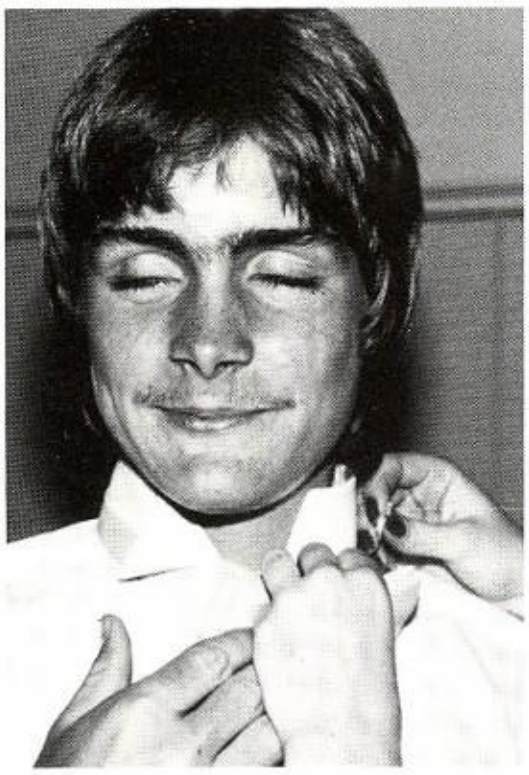
Prom-goers helped pack restaurants all over town. Some couples were even sighted in strange territory.

"We had to go to where Kenny works because his boss had to talk to him," explained Sheila Stevenson. "We went to the Charles Cinema in our formals!"

Jerry Busby enjoyed his night out. "I had a good time. Lots of good wholesome fun."

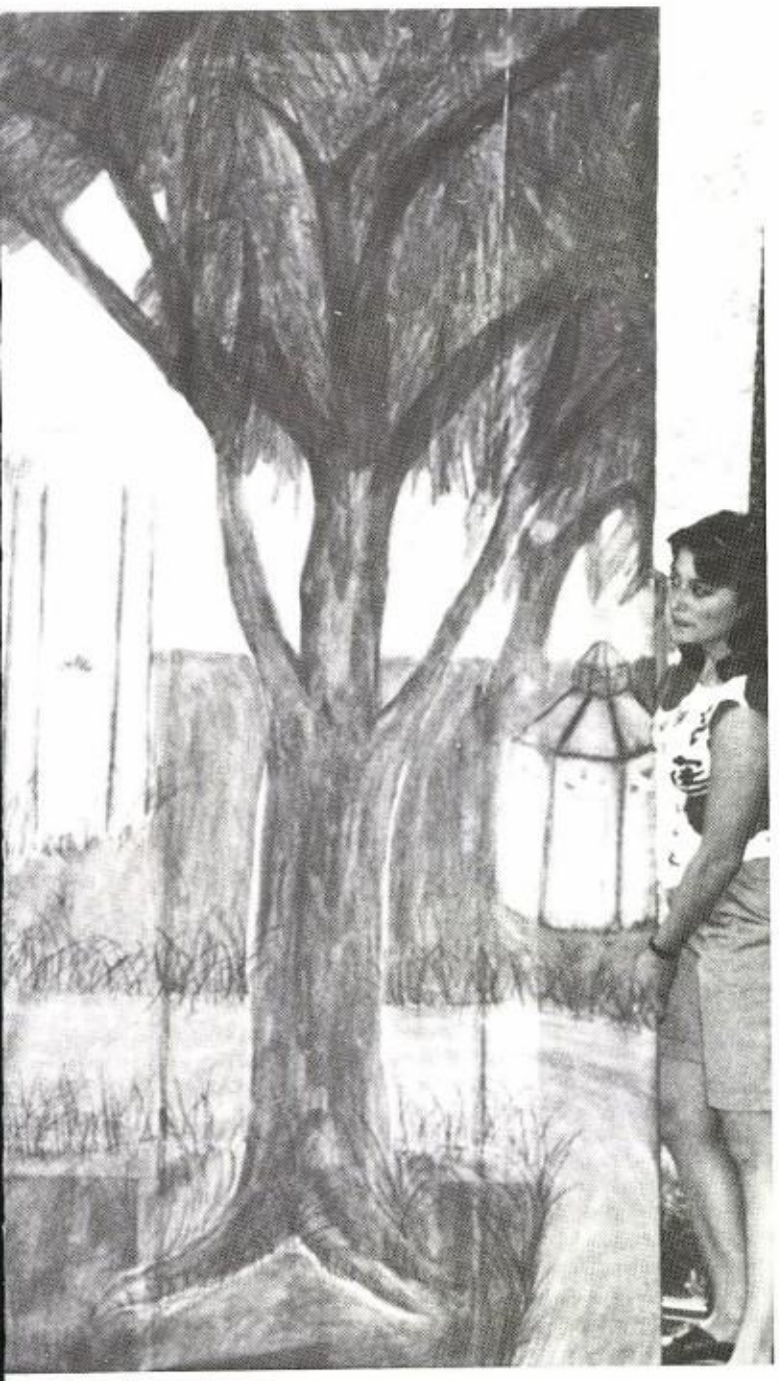
Despite the unfamiliar outfits, most were able to dance well.

"I never had any trouble dancing," remembered Scott LeBleu. "You should have seen Ernie Bryson getting into it."



TIE TROUBLES. Junior, Joey Stough needed some help getting into his tux for Prom.

SNUGGLE UP. Sophomore Lisa Miller enjoys slow dancing with junior, Kenny Raimer at Prom.



PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER. Juniors Sharon Racer and Cathy McCreedy arrange the backdrop for Prom at the Country Club.

HOOLA HOOPS? No, it's a hoop skirt. Bethyn Dawson, junior, untangles her old-fashioned underskirt before Prom Night.

Hoops . . . heels,
A tux 'n tails,
Music . . . lights,
and southern nights

SORE THROAT? No doc, it's Mary Ellen Marshall, senior, sharing her opinion of Prom night.

FINISHING TOUCH. Junior, Wendy Kibodeaux decorates the windows with colorful fans and balloons for Prom.

Fears Tears and Tassels

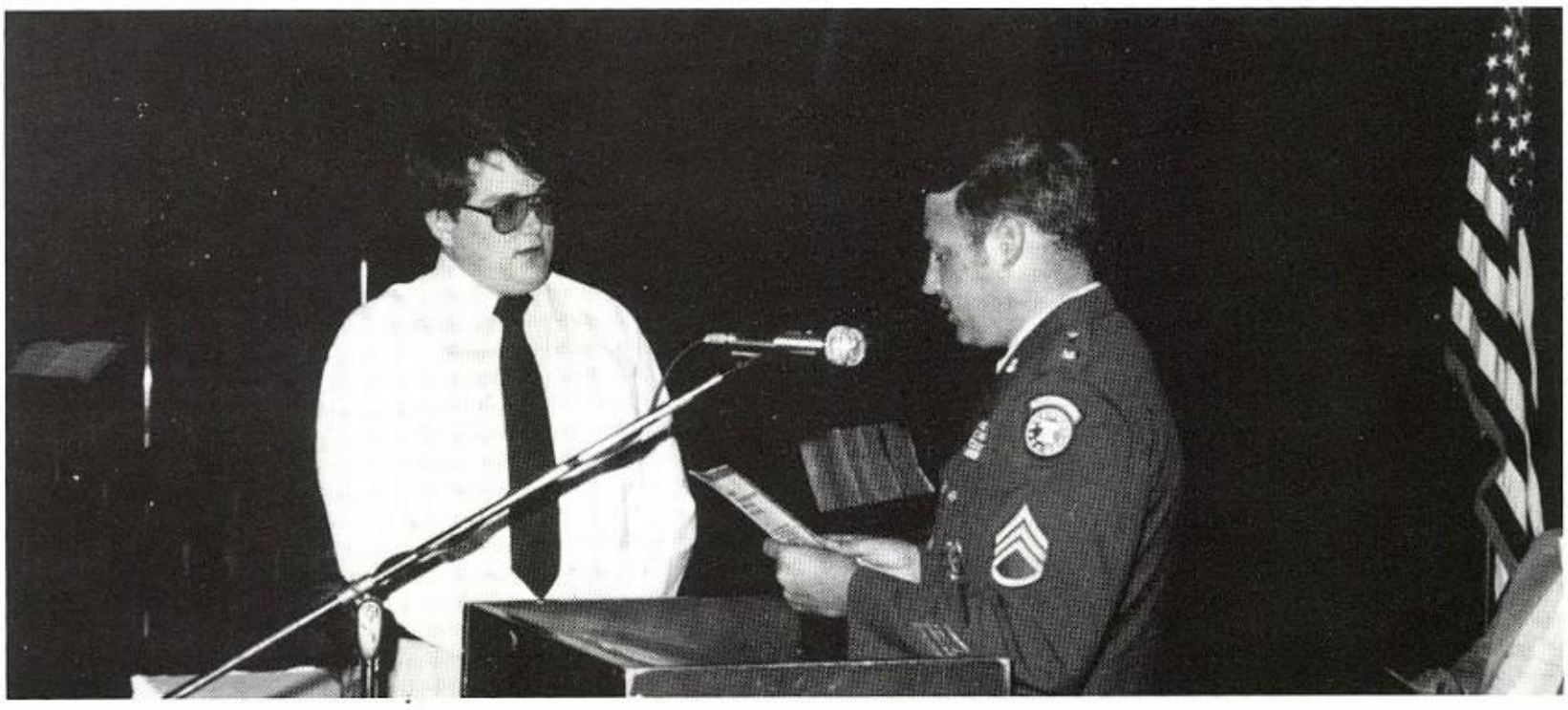
GOAL ACCOMPLISHED. Senior Carol Thompson proudly leaves the platform after receiving her diploma during graduation ceremonies.

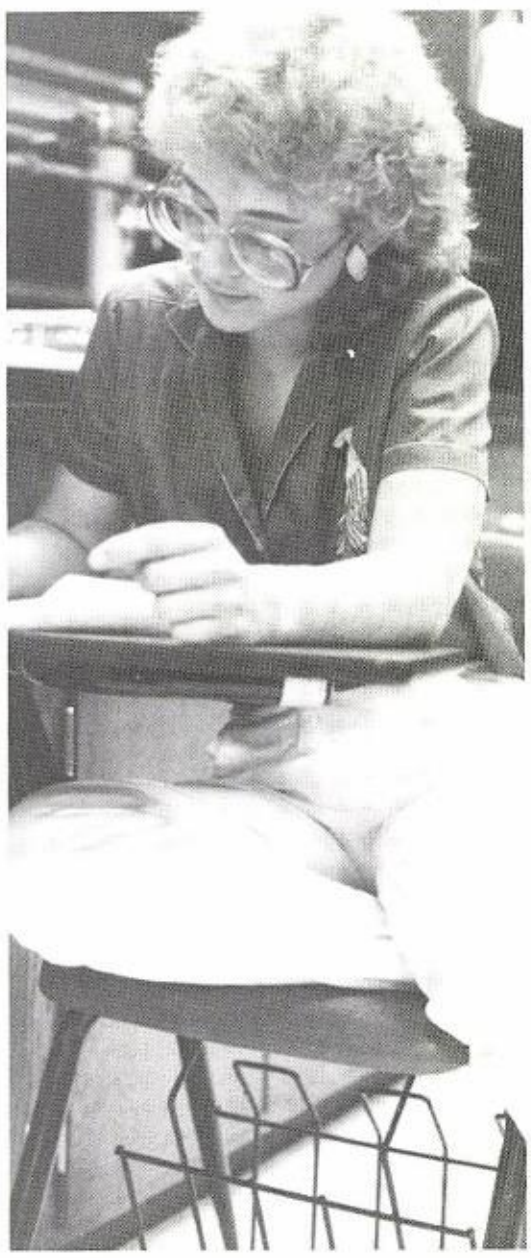
YOU'RE NEXT. Seniors Matt Alexander, Jack Aumiller, Amanda Armstrong, and Lori Bellard wait in line to get their caps and gowns.

THIS ONE IS MINE. Senior Bobby Dupius gladly accepts his gown in the new gym.

HERE IT GOES. Senior Jerome Phillips begins his procession into the Civic Center.

THAT'S AMAZING. Ernie Bryson, senior, listens intently while his list of honors are being read before he received his scholarship.





TERRIBLE TESTS. Senior Sonya Soileau paces herself while working on her chemistry final in Mrs. Barbara Hearn's room.

Dawning Horizons

Twelve Years of Memories Honored in One Short Night

After 12 long years the senior class had just one more formality before the world would be ready for them. A ceremony in which they would leave their pasts and childhood behind to start to work on doing what would be needed for "When I Grow Up."

Senior year was the time when realizations began to sink in. Although many followed shortened class schedules, they still worried about class rank, applications for colleges and scholarships. Though caps, gowns and invitations were ordered late in the fall, the impact of what they were for didn't sink in until they received their orders in April.

"It dawned on me that I would be graduating soon when I got this big box full of announcements." Charles Cart was undecided about his plans, but he joked, "I'll take time out for four or five months to sleep and then I'll go to college. Or maybe I'll go to college for four or five months and then sleep for the rest of my life."

"I'm looking forward to graduating," said Gloria Miau who was more serious about her plans. "I'm going into nursing. I am a little nervous about college because it is a big change from high school."

Allison Hemker was one of the seniors who felt mixed emotions about graduating. "It's a scary feeling," admitted Allison. "One minute you don't have any worries and the next minute you're out in the world. The worst thing is thinking about your friends. They'll be moving away, and you realize you may never see them again."

Dawning Horizons

Twelve Years of Memories . . . Continued

The seniors' last weeks of school were jam-packed full of hectic activities and last minute plans. They kept busy ordering the official T-shirt, studying for finals, organizing parties, mailing invitations, preparing for trips, summer jobs and college.

They dressed up to receive scholarships and awards from clubs and teachers on Senior Awards Day May 15 before tackling class finals. The Chamber of Commerce held a reception at the Hilton May 15 for the 15 students ranking in the top 5% of the graduating class of 304.

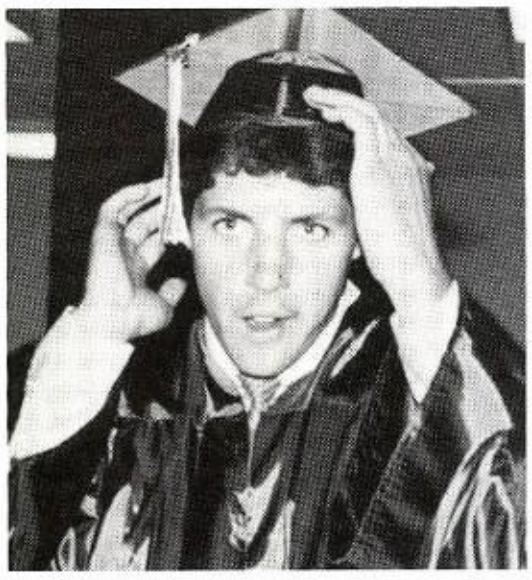
On May 21, Barbe's graduating class of 1984 filed into the Civic Center and settled in their proper places. Rows upon rows of blue gowns and caps. Valedictorians, Karen Wyche and Mike Cox, spoke to their class about the senior motto "Experience is an arch to build upon" and what it meant for all the seniors seated there. Salutatorian Allison Ware recited the pledge and invocation. Then the commencement exercises began.

When the last senior returned to her seat after receiving her diploma, the seniors celebrated. They had made it, finally, and felt prepared for the lives ahead of them.

THIS IS IT. Senior Sonya Fontenot nervously awaits her name to be announced to accept her diploma.

NERVOUS JITTERS. Seniors Lori Bellard, Michelle Fontenot, Cindy Eiland, and Danelle Prater pass the time before graduation begins.

HELPING HANDS. Seniors Kelly Melton and Tracy Bourque adjust senior Stephanie Borel's tassel.



AHH, PERFECTION. Senior Kevin Guillory makes last minute adjustments before joining the procession at graduation.

WELL DONE. Senior Jude Leger accepts his scholarship to Rollins University during senior awards day.

Past Memories and Future Expectations

Talent

Karen Abate

Jared Nelson

Leadership

Allison Ware

John Mille

Best All-Around

Stephanie Borel

Rusty Cart

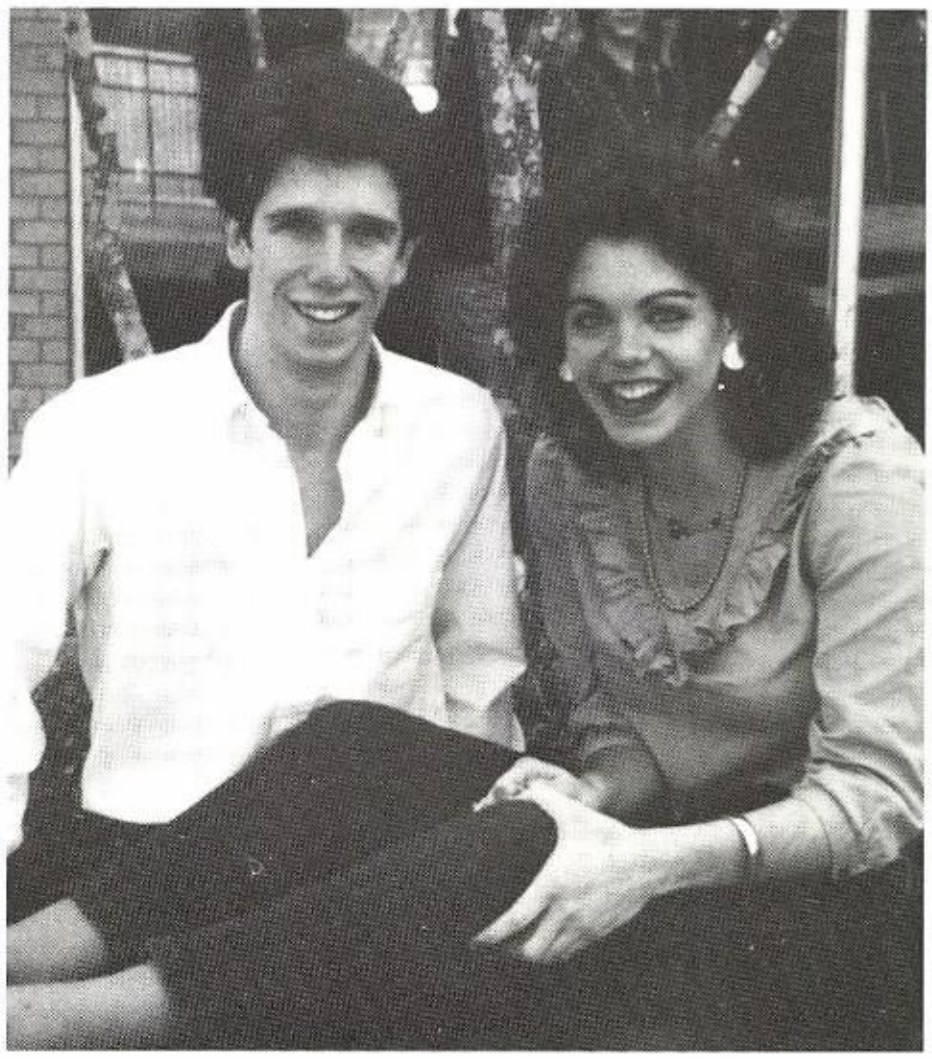
Beau, Belle

Vickie Doucet

Brad Blanchard

Athletic

inda Gary — Paul Cormier



Originality

John McGehee — Maureen Marcon

Knowledgeable

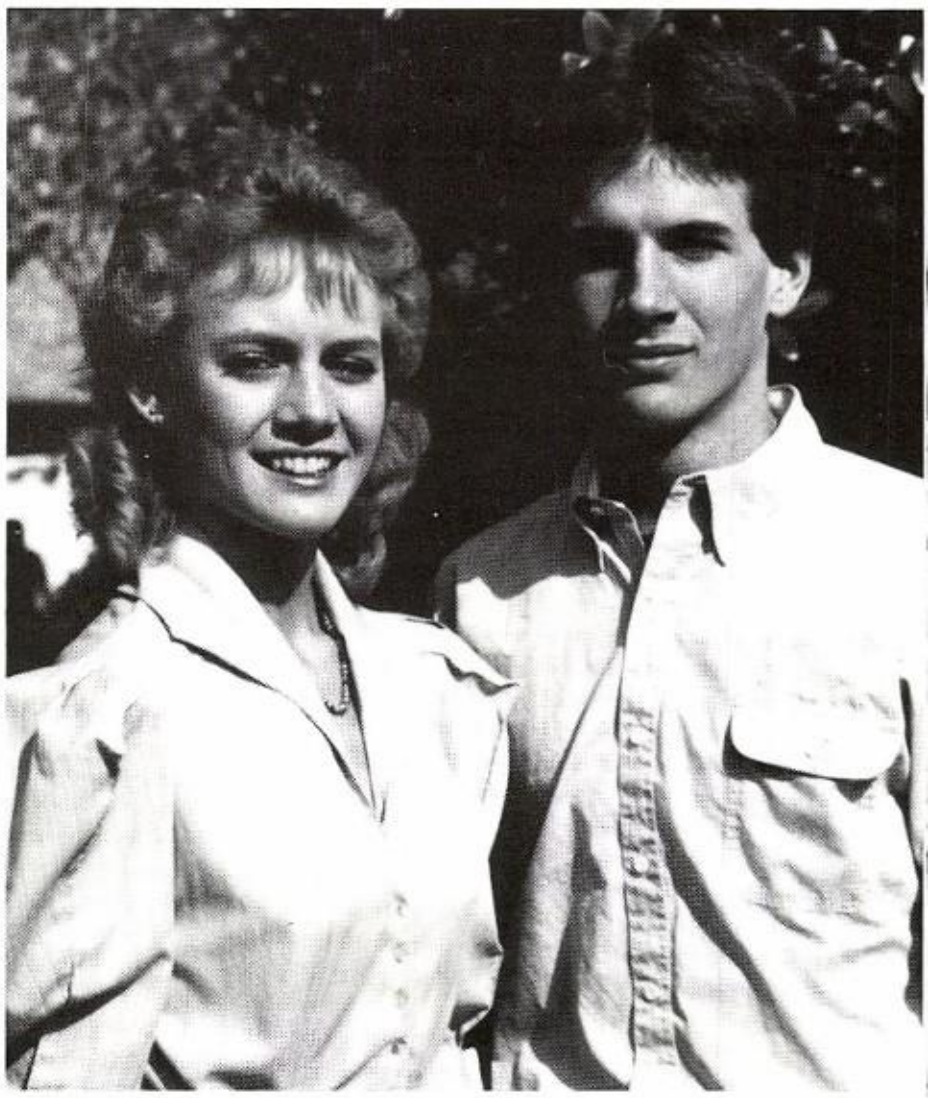
aren Wyche — Mike Cox

Likely to Succeed

Mary Bennerscheidt — Tim Taylor

Knowledgeable

Lisa Comeaux — **James Tarver**

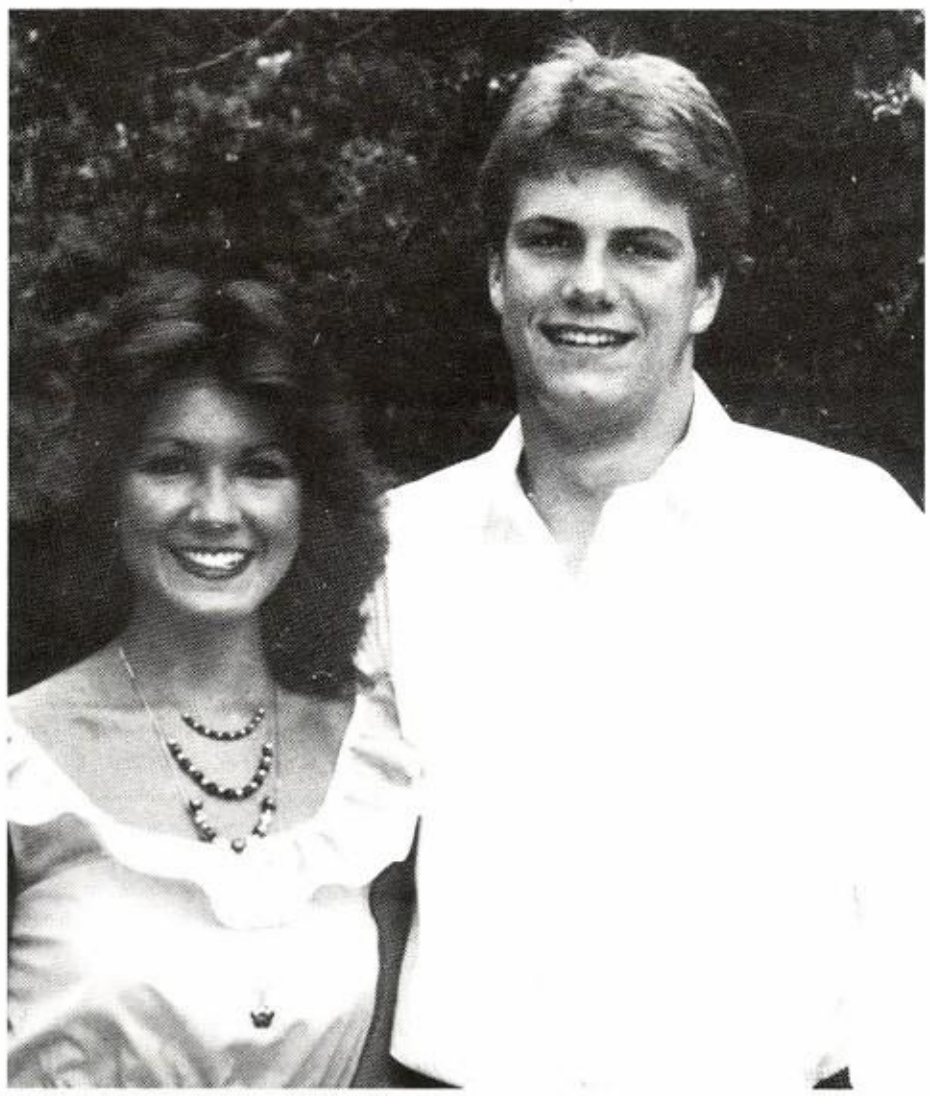


Talent

Kathy McMillan — **Gary Robertson**

Beau, Belle

Melinda Matthews — **Rusty Hayes**



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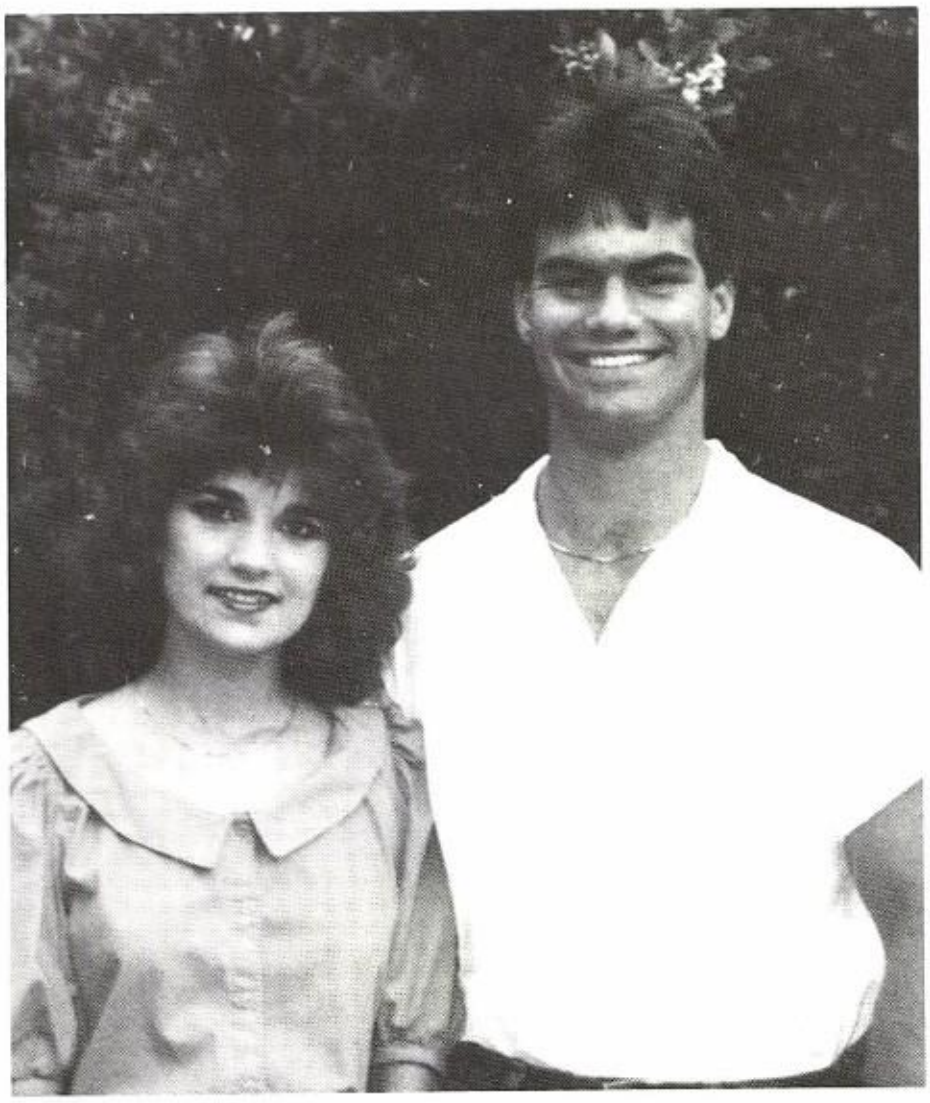
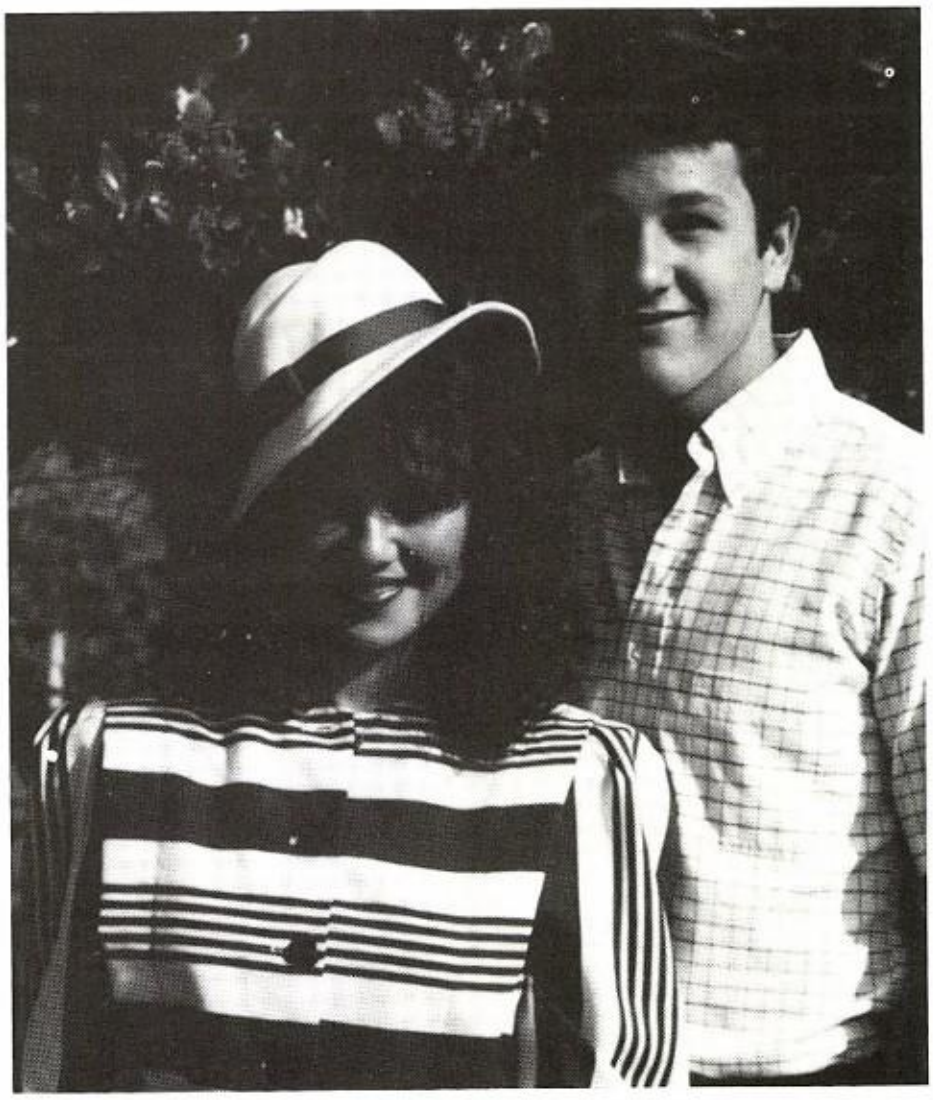
Debi Turek — **Matt Wallace**



Best All-Around

Kim Martin

Paul Cormier



Leadership

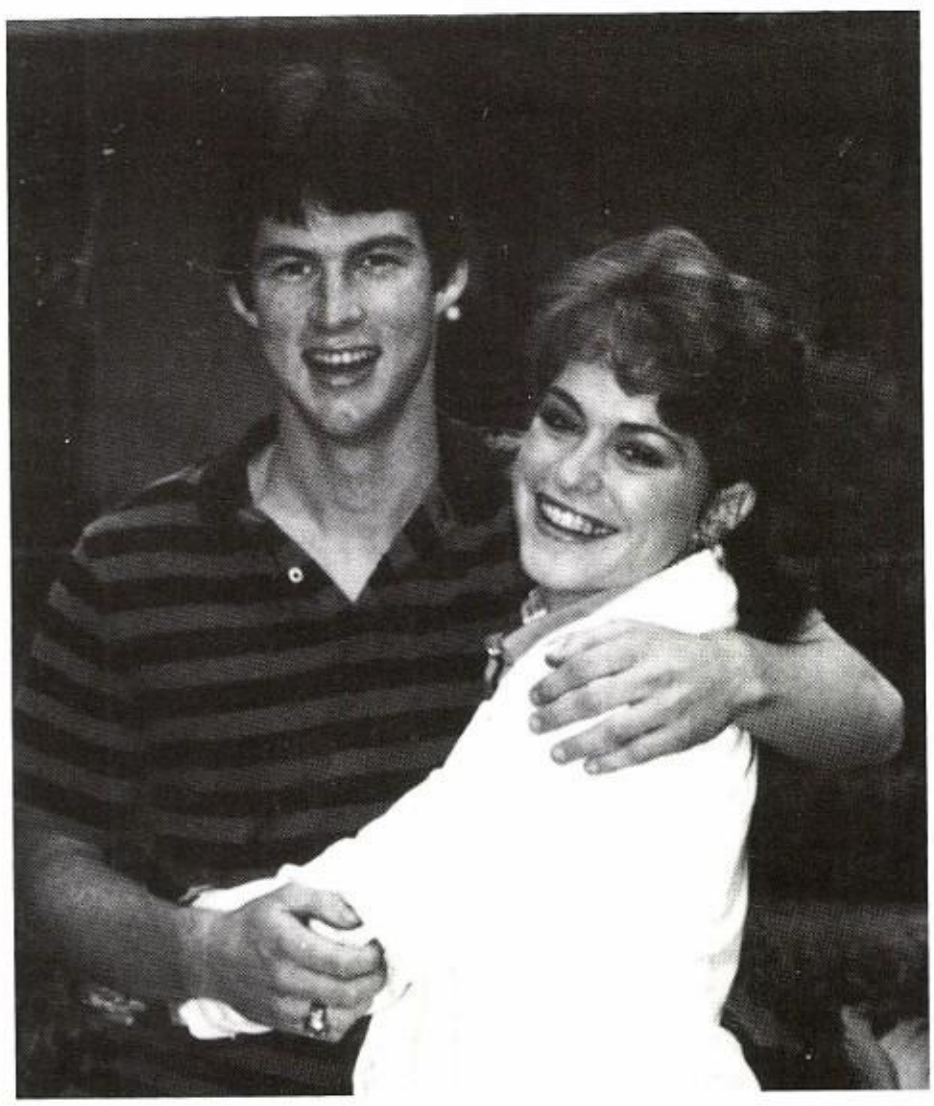
Michelle Dunman

Darren Caillouet

Originality

Gilles Morin

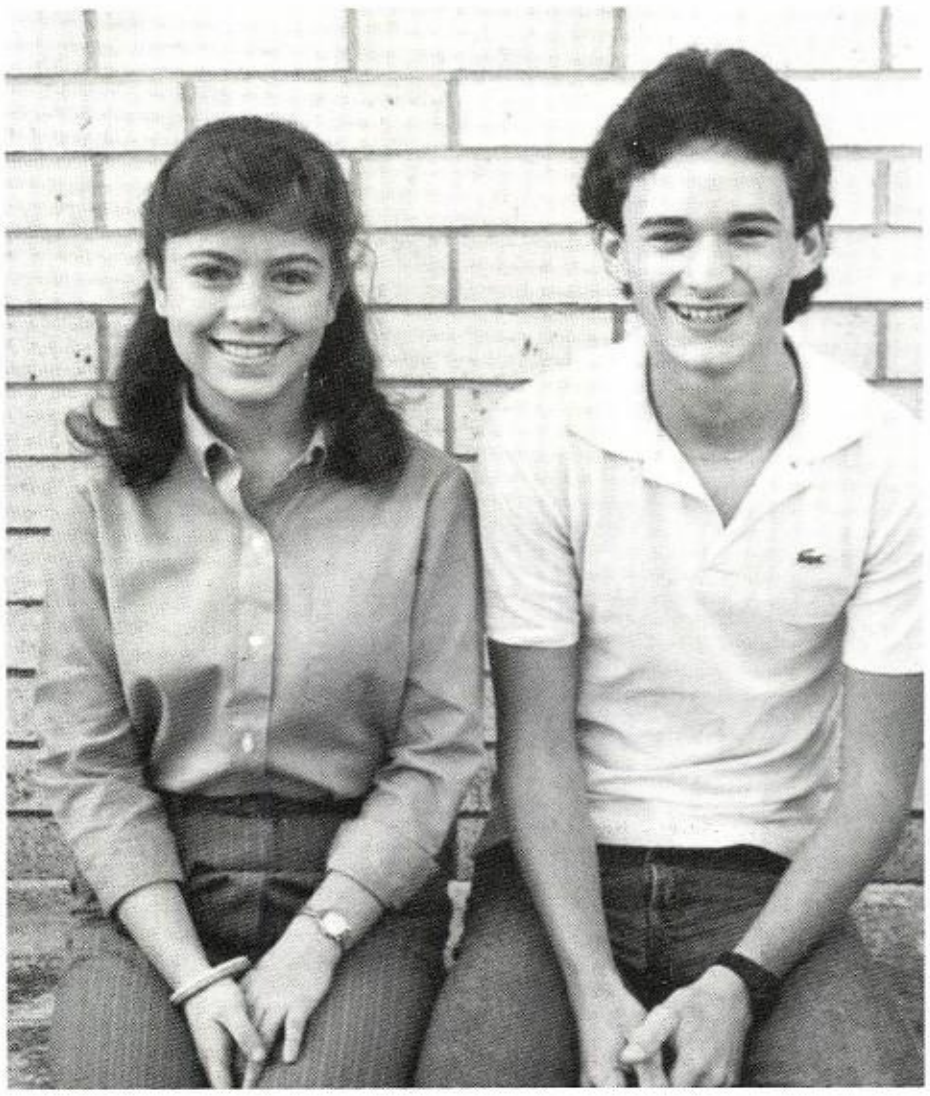
Jan Gwatney



Athletic

Greg Falcon

Anjeanette Leger



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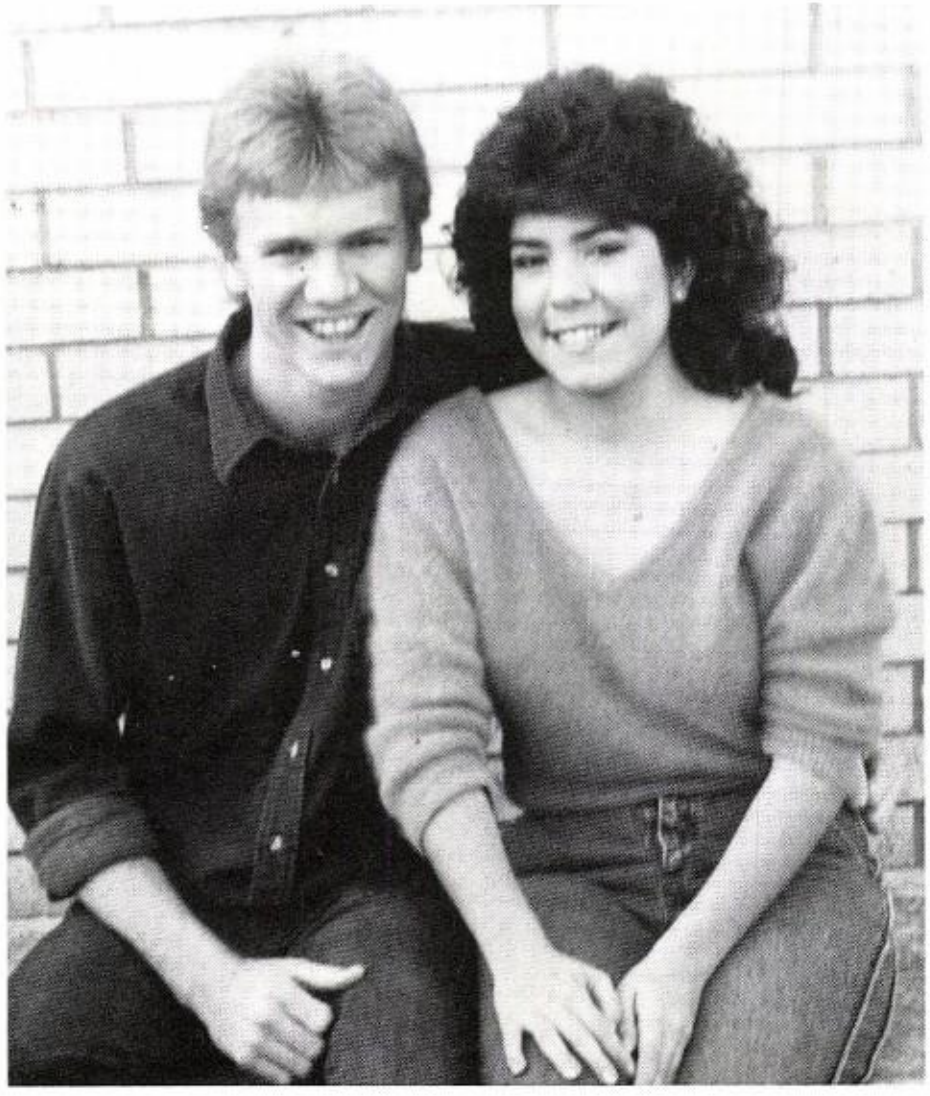
Lisa Miller

Todd Cooley



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Scott Brame

Celeste Fruge

Knowledgeable

Lauron Sonnier

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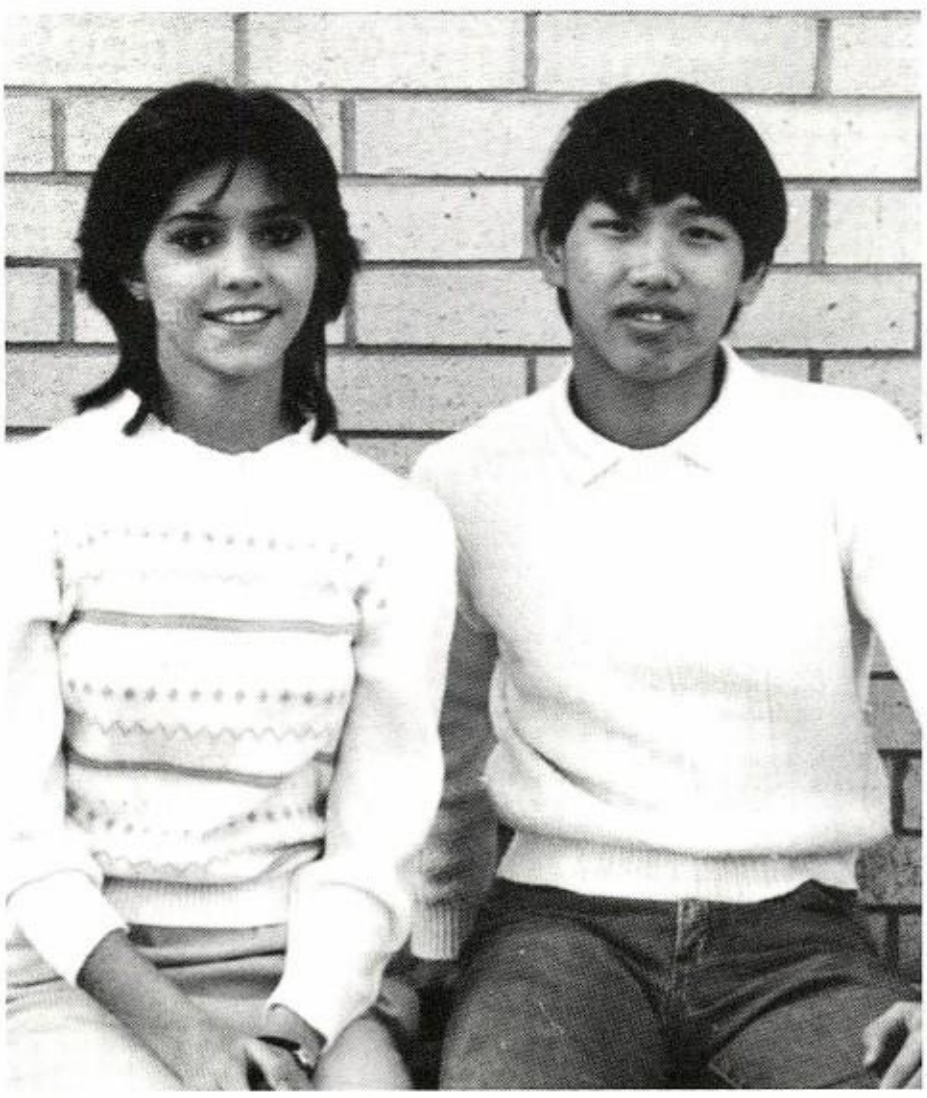
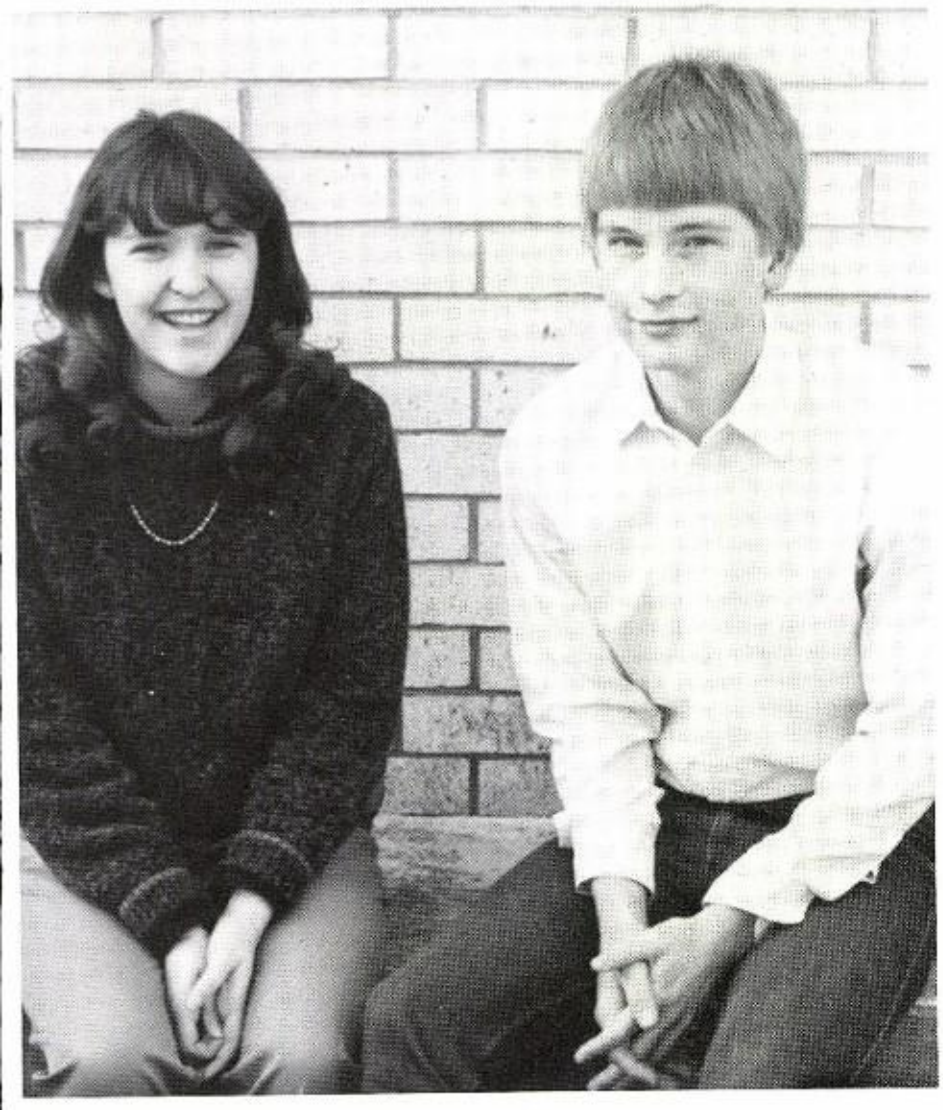


Talent

Skip Rogers

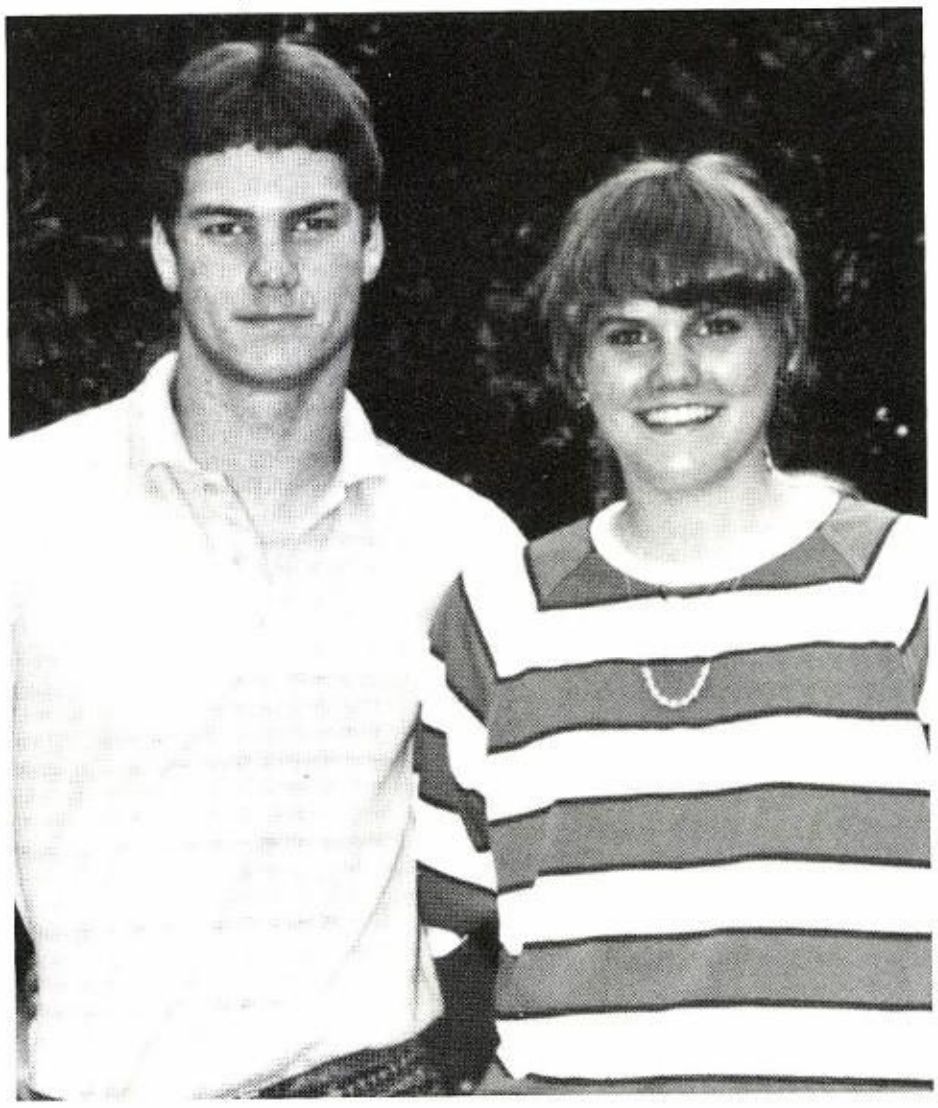
Allison Porter



Leadership

Susan Connella

Stuart Morstead



Athletic

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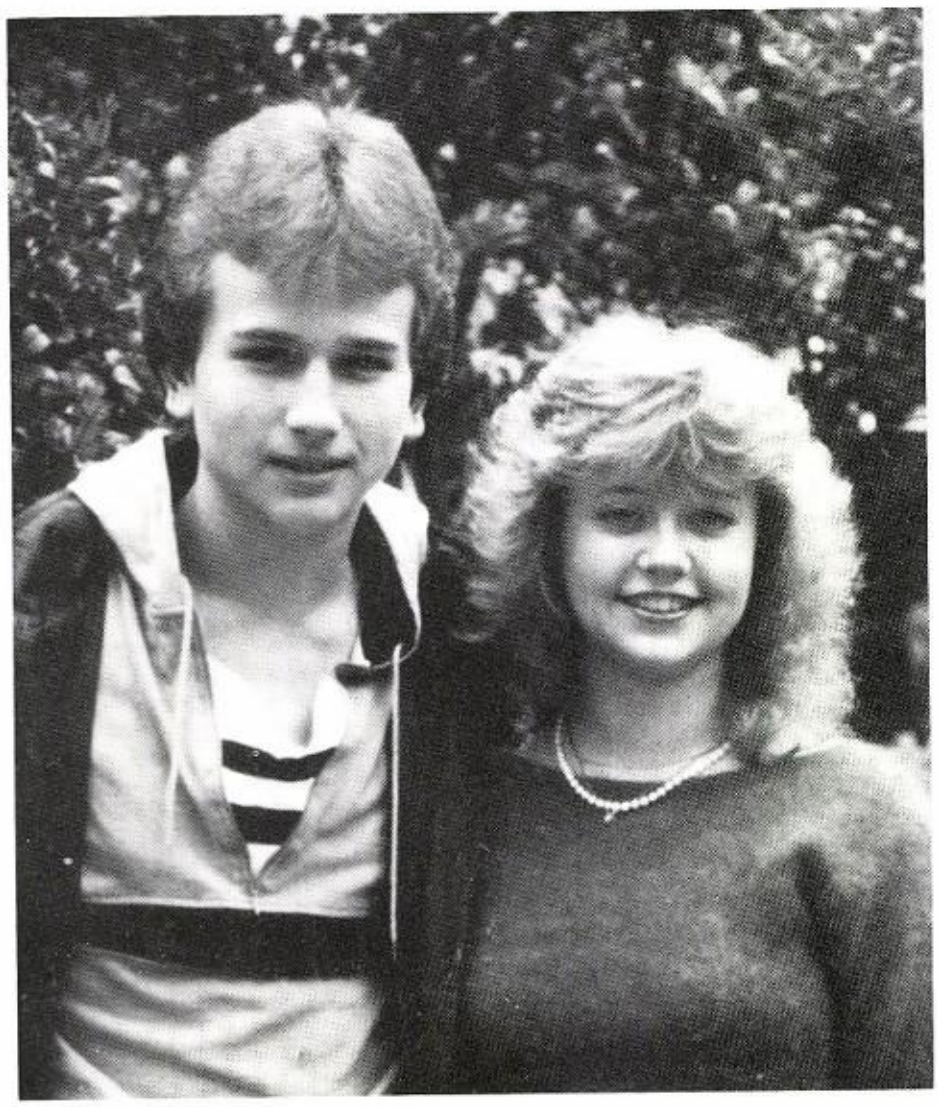
Kerri Jacobi

Beau Belle

Scott Doyle

Kelley Sullivan



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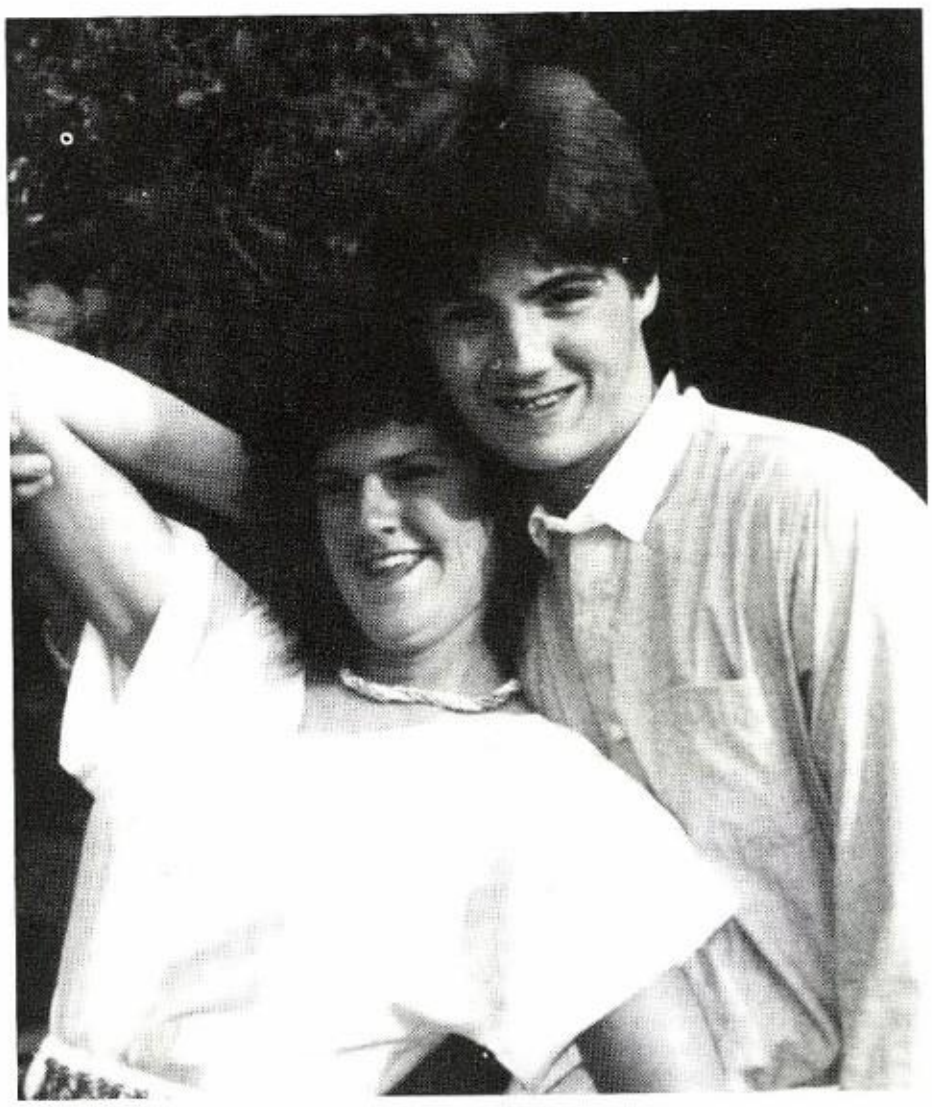
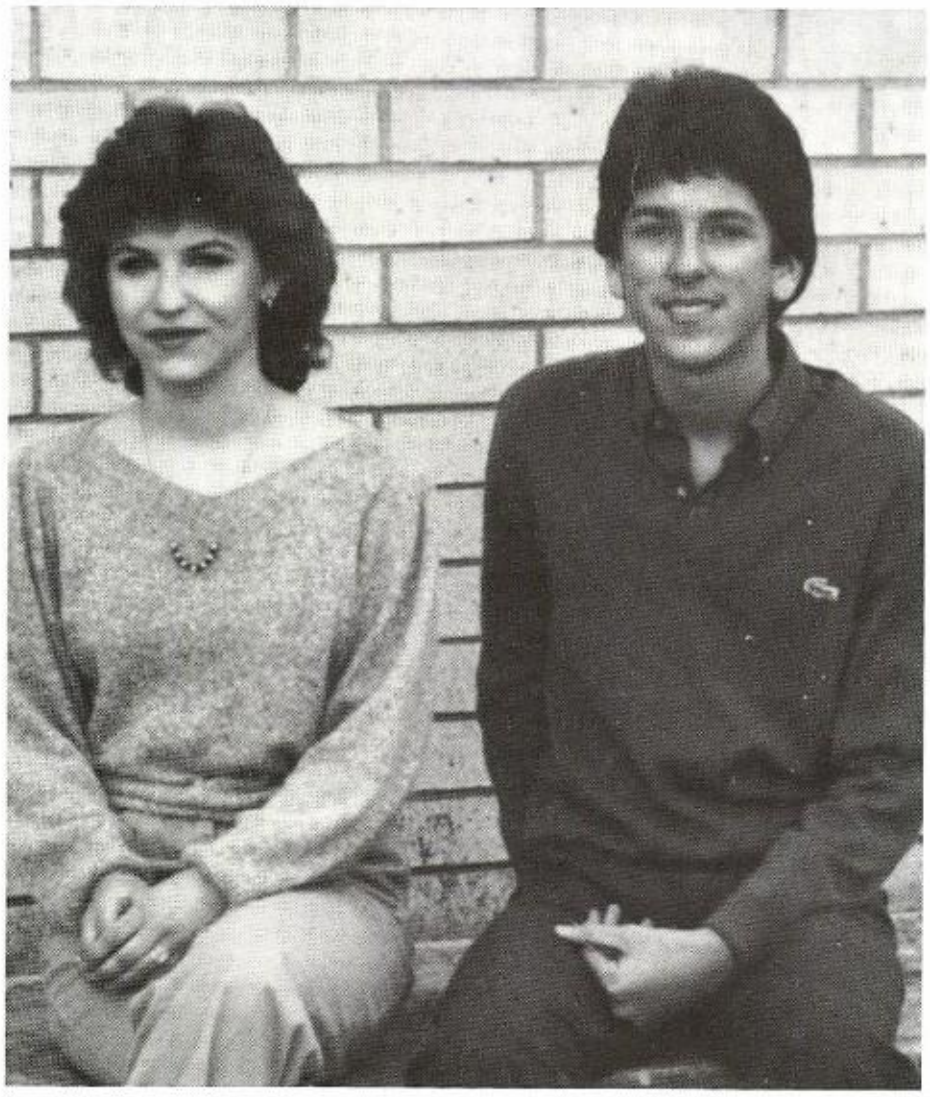
Missy Brewer

Andre Abadie





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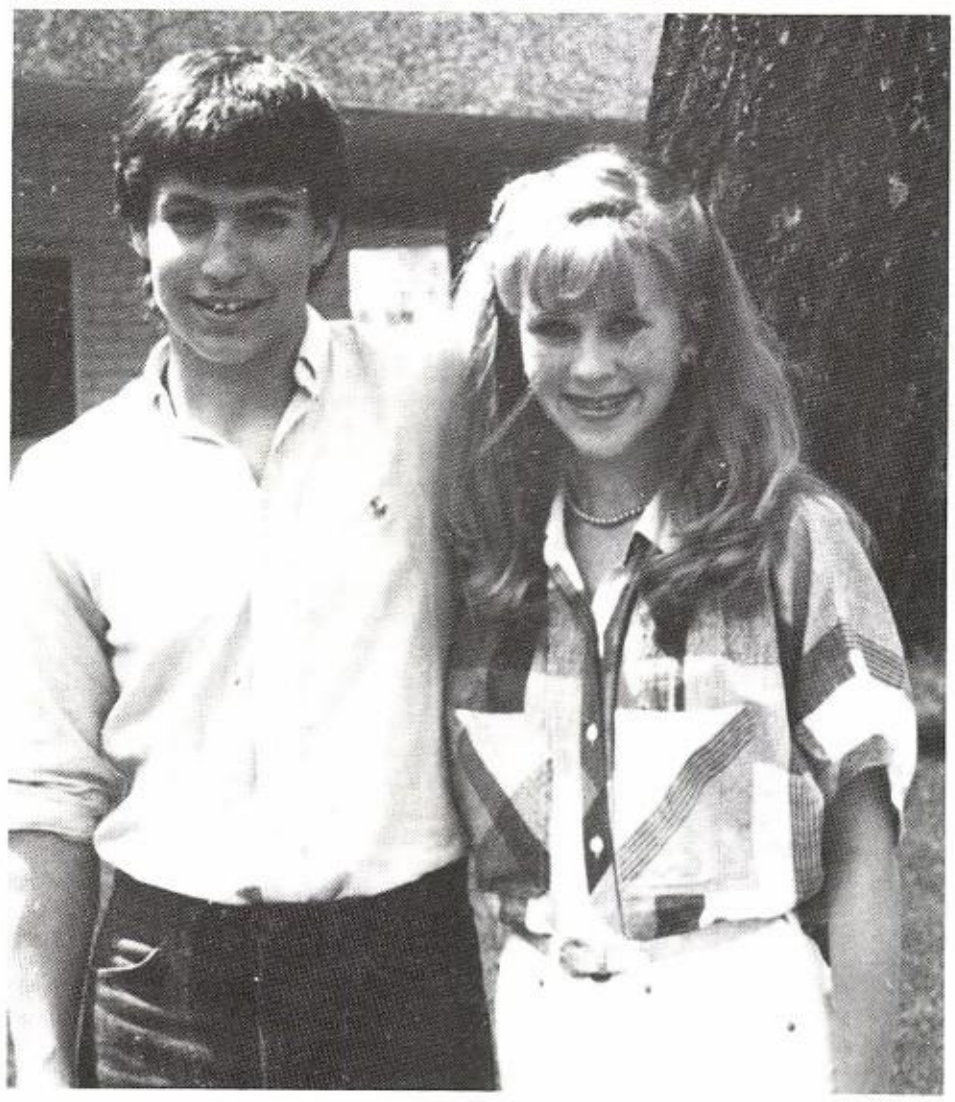
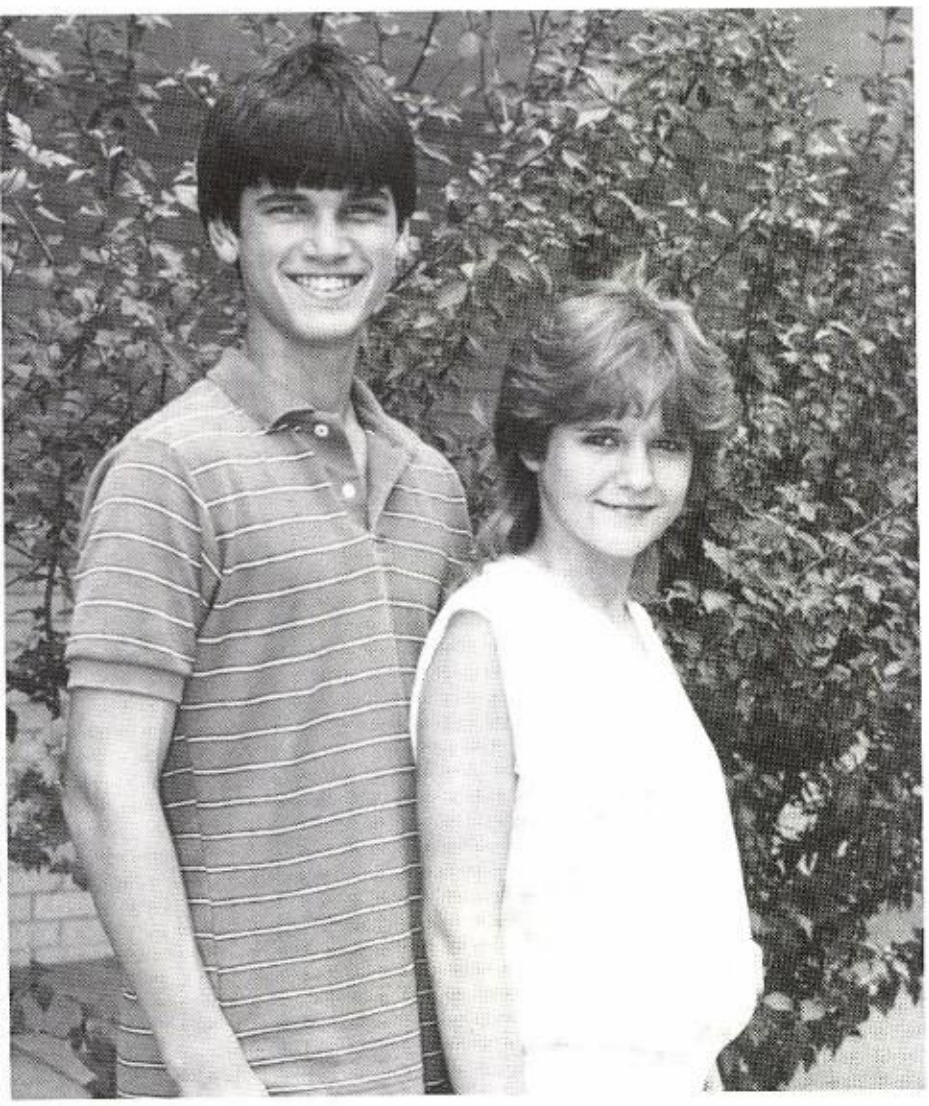




Leadership

Chris Moffet

Angie Sizemore

Athletic

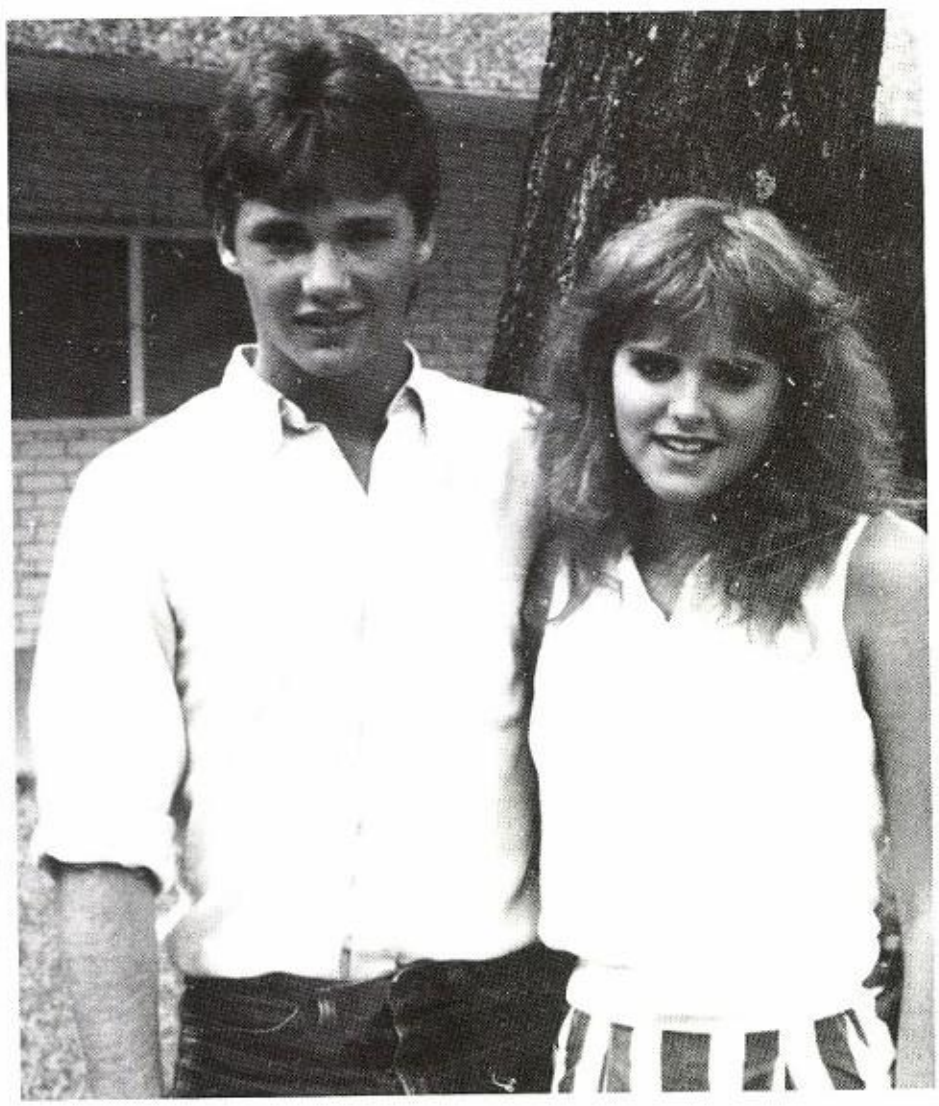
Jill Welborn

Keith Walker

Beau Belle

Chris Ferguson

Annie Bennerscheidt



Originality

Celeste Sole

Tony Dietz

The Envelope Please

Mr. and Miss Barbe Court

LET'S GO. Senior LeeAnn Waguespack is being escorted to her position on the platform at the Country Club.

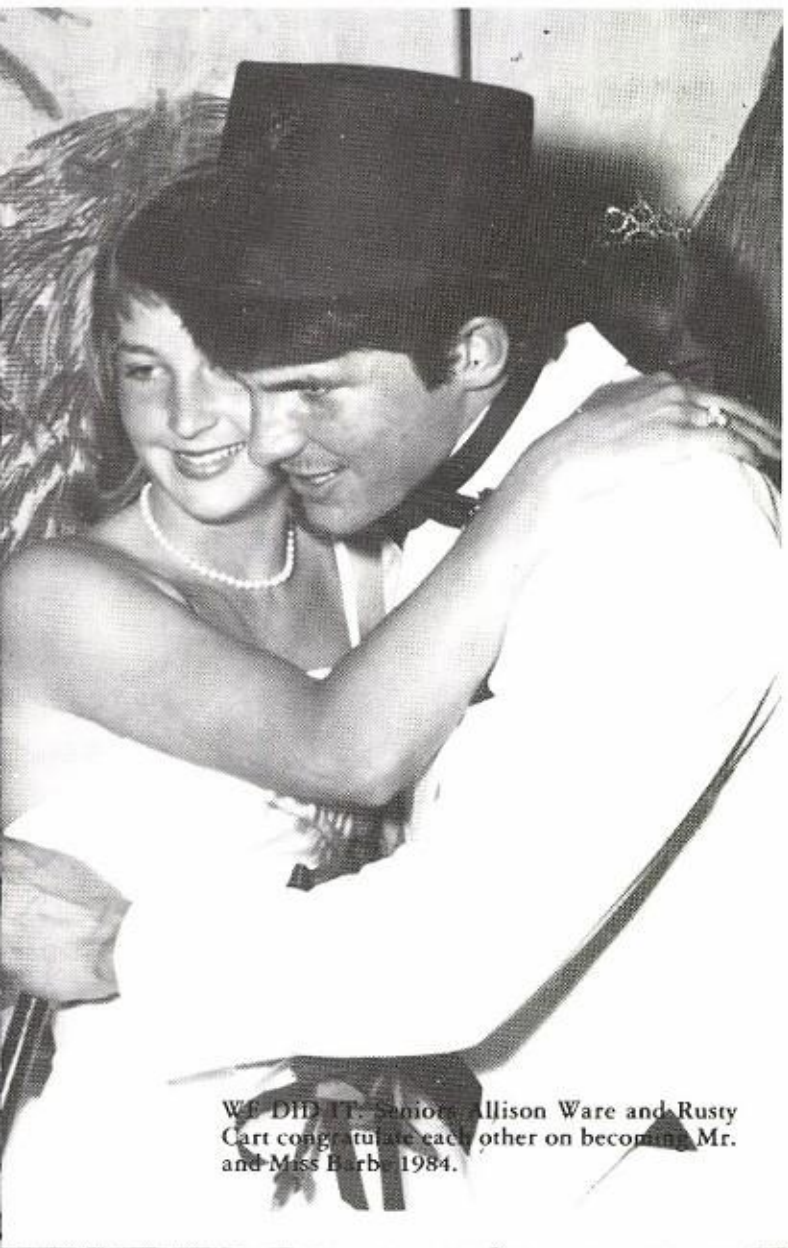
ON YOUR MARK . . . Senior John Miller and his date smile as seniors Jim Flavin, Pam LeBato and Peggy Tucker enjoy the procession.

". . . and Mr. and Miss Barbe are Rusty Cart and Allison Ware." These words echoed throughout the Country Club on prom night as the winners accepted their awards.

Rusty finished the year ranked fifth in the class with a 3.75 average and a list of credits that ran through the roof. Among them are a President's Leadership Award from McNeese, the Kiwanis Club SOF scholarship, and the Dorothy and Walter Moss Memorial Scholarship. He also participated in NHS, FCA, FHA, Key Club, Baseball and football. The "I Dare You" award, Barbe's highest honor, also went to Rusty. "After I got it I felt that I had reached my peak in high school."

Allison's credits were equally impressive. She earned salutatorian honors by maintaining a 3.9 average which was second among the seniors. Her extra-curricular activities were hard to surpass. She was in NHS, student council, Octagon, was Key Club Sweetheart, and a member of Presidential Classroom and Girls' State. Allison received a $6,000 scholarship to Trinity University. "High school was fun because I made so many friends and even learned a little on the way," she joked.

Other members on the court included Mark Wegener, famous for his speech abilities and membership on the tennis and football team; Lee Ann Waguespack, a Bluebelle, Presidential Classroom student, class treasurer, and 1983 Modern Miss winner; John Miller, Key Club president, executive vice-president of student council, Presidential Classroom representative and a member of the tennis team; Kelly Melton, a Bluebelle, Octagon and tennis team member and Presidential Classroom member; Doug Cochran, active in both basketball and Key Club; and, Cheyl Shavers, business student and girl's track team member.



WE DID IT. Seniors Allison Ware and Rusty Cart congratulate each other on becoming Mr. and Miss Barbe 1984.

Honor, Respect, and Gratitude

WAITING PATIENTLY. Seniors Doug Cochran and Allison Ware dance the night away waiting for their names to be announced for court.

CREME DE LA CREME. The 1984 Mr. and Miss Barbe court are: LeeAnn Waguespack, Cheyl Shavers, Kelly Melton, Allison Ware, Rusty Cart, Doug Cochran, John Miller, and Mark Wegener.

Nothin' Halfway About It

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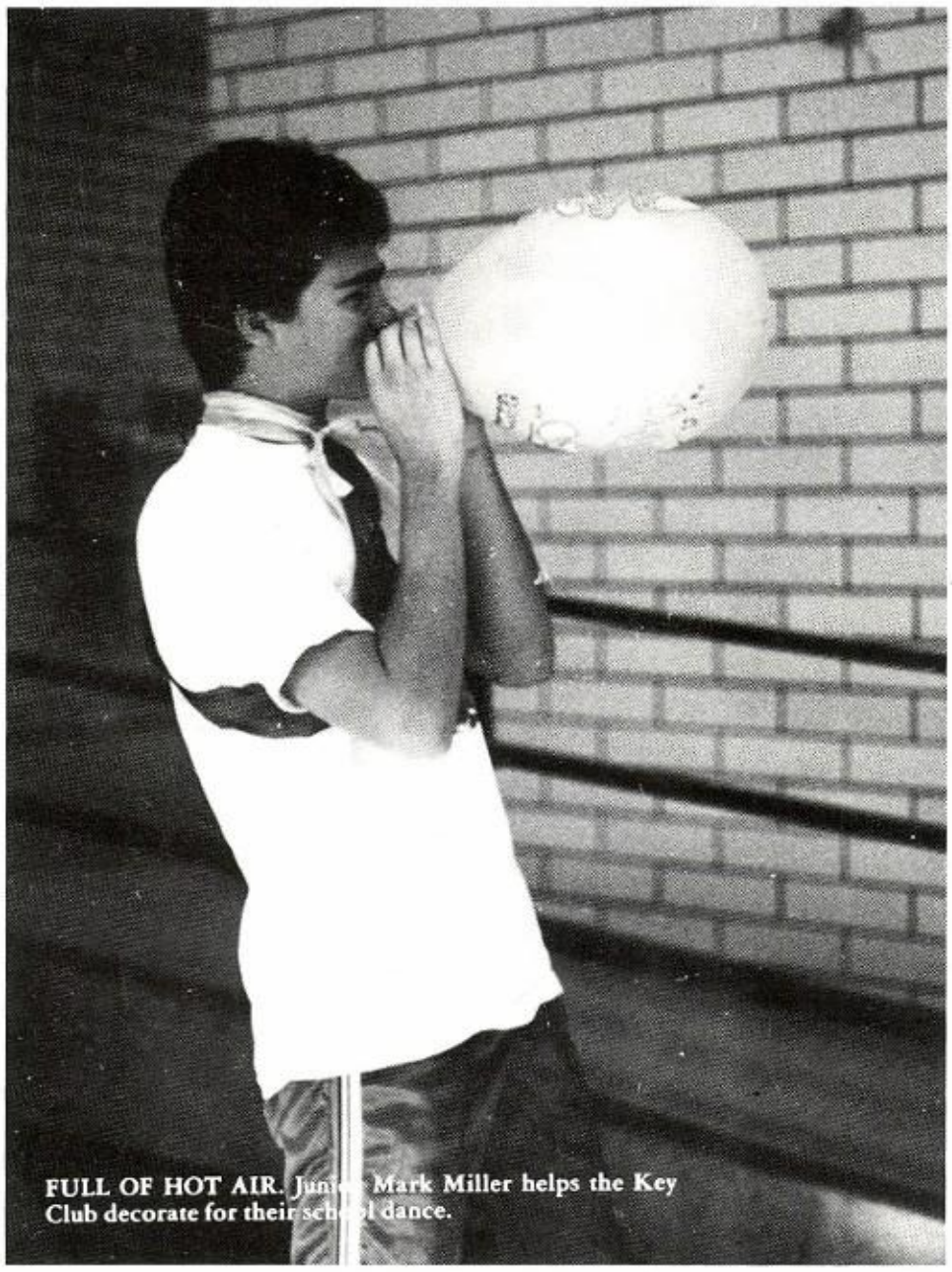

FULL OF HOT AIR. Junior Mark Miller helps the Key Club decorate for their school dance.

Whether it was clique, crew, or club, everyone wanted to belong. Strangers became friends as the "clubby" feeling grew. It was up to clubs and squads to focus on what they wanted to do and set out to getting it done. They became their own bosses as they watched their ideas burst into the full bloom of reality.

After months of grueling practice to attain perfection, the smallest band in recent Barbe history was chosen to represent Louisiana at the Fiesta Bowl in Arizona. N.H.S. got serious about their bookstore that provided emergency supplies for the desperate and short-handed. Art Club provided their artistic technique for local businesses to celebrate the holiday seasons. Octogan's year was highlighted with the satisfaction of having the Best Scrapbook and being the Best Club in the state at convention. All the cheerleaders, JV and Varsity included, ended up first in competition at the Cal-Cam Fair.

All the accomplishments brought a big boost of morale as students were able to organize matters for themselves. As they became their own bosses, they knew nothing could ever make them stop halfway in their tracks again. — MARSHALL

FLUTES 'N TOOTS. Nimble fingers were hard to come by at the cold playoff game against Acadiana in Lafayette. Dedication prevailed however as band members Troy Burwell, Michelle Ingalls, and Rachel Murphy strike up a tune to spark Buc spirit.

PICA OR ELITE?!? Senior Mary Ellen Marshall finds that writing copy for they yearbook involved learning how to type, too.

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The Beat of a Different Drum

From summer practice through marching season, finishing with the spring concert schedule, the Band of Blue is more than a half-time ornament.

In the next few years that ornament will be growing into a full-fledged Christmas tree due to the large freshman classes entering high school. For the past two years incoming classes have averaged over three hundred students.

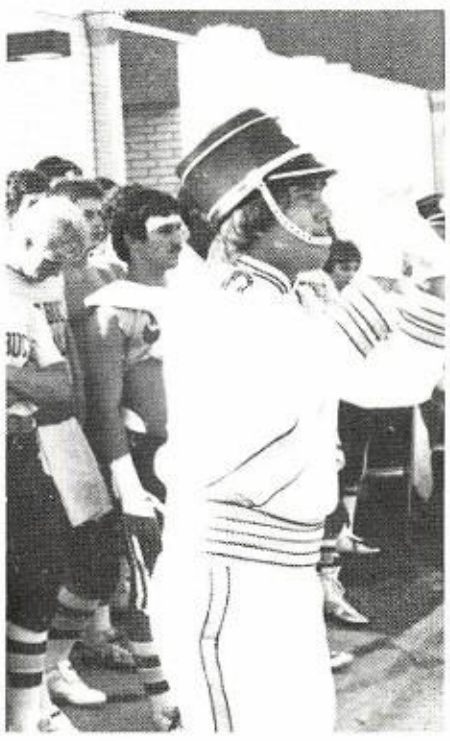
"In my freshman year, the band was so big and then in the beginning of my sophomore year membership began to fall off," divulged co-drum major Peggi Tucker. "But now the band looks like it's starting to grow again," she said.

As football season neared, the band members remembered the hours they spent under the hot summer sun drilling, drilling and drilling some more. Saxophonist, Greg Grandy, commented "It makes you feel good when you turn out a good half-time show because of all the time we spent trying to get it down pat."

"Our band never stops working. We practice year-round, but it finally pays off. It's satisfying to know that our performances are appreciated." — DRUM MAJOR, ERIC EISEN

After the season, the band geared up for spring concerts. Their performances were a 365 degree turn from their halftime shows, but the musicians' talents still shined through. The groups also received "excellents" at the LaGrange and Sulphur festivals.

Whatever the pace, wherever the place, for 365 days a year, the Band of Blue strutted its stuff, marching to the beat of a different drum.



THE WHITE GLOVE TEST. Drum Major Eric Eisen conducts the band at a 5 p.m. pep rally.

JAMMING OUT. Trip Wamsley rocks out on his electric guitar.

UNITED AS ONE. The band unites to form a perfect melody as the Bucs score a touchdown against Lafayette.

BAND

Drum Majors
Eric Eisen
Peggi Tucker
Captain
David See
First Lieutenant
Jonni Streeter
Second Lieutenant
Marlo Mahfouz
Librarians
Theresa Grigg
Jill Underwood
Quartermasters
Josef Cash
Gary Fondel
Chris Gandy
Jude Leget
Brett Thibadeaux

ANY WHICH WAY BUT LOOSE. Drummers David Wilson, Rusty Sonnier, Jonni Streeter, Jason Rivers, and Mike Weaver sway with the beat as they play at the afternoon Sulphur pep rally.

SQUADS

SITTIN' THE BENCH. The J.V. cheerleaders take a break during halftime of a J.V. football game.

AFTER THE HALF. When their performance has ended, flag and rifle members are allowed to do their own thing. From left are Kerri Forbes, Donna Thompson, Tootie DeVillier, Vickie Roche, and Chris Wilson.

RAISE THAT FLAG. Flag captain, Anna Moon, senior, shows how to properly carry the flags used by the band.

TOWERING ABOVE. Lisa Morris, freshman, tops the tower performed by the J.V. cheerleaders. Supporting her on the middle row is Kim Whitsitt, left, and Tracy Spees, Kim Norwood, Celeste Frugé, Connie Blankenship, and Annie Bennerscheidt form the base.

ONCENTRATING ON THE BEAT. ifles march front and center to perform heir part of the halftime show. Cynthia hodes, senior, silently keeps count vaiting for her next move.

SQUAD OFFICERS

Kerri Forbess . . . . . *Rifle Captain*
Anna Moon . . . . . *Flag Captain*
Jennifer Reynolds . . . . . *Flag Co-Captain*
Vickie Roche . . . . . *Flag Co-captain*

Celeste Fruge . . . . . *Head Cheerleader*
Connie Blankenship . . . . . *Co-head Cheerleader*

Stealing the Show

Every Friday night during halftime at the football games, a horde of enthusiastic young females descended upon the field in a flurry of flags, rifles, and uniforms. At pep rallies, eight girls in white cheered loudly for the school team. These squads weren't the main attraction, but they sometimes stole the show.

"I hated it when someone made a mistake, but it's just something you have to live with," sighed Stephanie Dubea. The messups were just something that endeared them to their audience.

Hardly anyone other than the team and their parents every really kept track of what was going on in junior varsity, but the J.V. cheerleaders did. "No one pays attention to how the junior varsity is doing, but we do," expressed Annie Bennerscheidt. "They know that someone cares, because we're always there." "My favorite part of the pep rallies is the performance of the J.V. cheerleaders," declared freshman, David Fluegal.

"Being part of the halftime show was really nerve-racking. From my viewpoint in line, I could always see whether we made mistakes or not." — AMANDA ARMSTRONG

Of course, it wasn't all embarrassment, obscurity, or mistakes. The flag and rifle squad could beam with pride when they received a "1" at competition in Sulphur and a "2" rating at the tough MBA in Houston. Not to be outdone, the J.V. cheerleaders gave it their all in the Cal-Cam fair competition and came home with the first place award. "The competitions were the best part of being in flags,"commented Lynn Haymark.

And then, there was the feeling of self-satisfaction. "It was hard. But when Friday night came, it was worth all the work," stated Marcie Mafouz. — CHOZEN

CHEERLEADERS

Spirit Tumblers

Experts at what they did. The varsity cheerleaders displayed the smiles of beauty pageant contestants the energy of Mexican jumping beans, and the tenacity of mailmen, able to deliver in heat, rain, or freezing cold.

They were pros at their game. They won first place over 150 other camps at the U.C.A. camp at L.S.U. winning eleven blue ribbons and a spirit stick. The jackets that they proudly wore were earned for first-rate cheering at the SW Louisiana Fair and Trade Expo. But the biggest rewards came when they psyched up restless crowds at ball games.

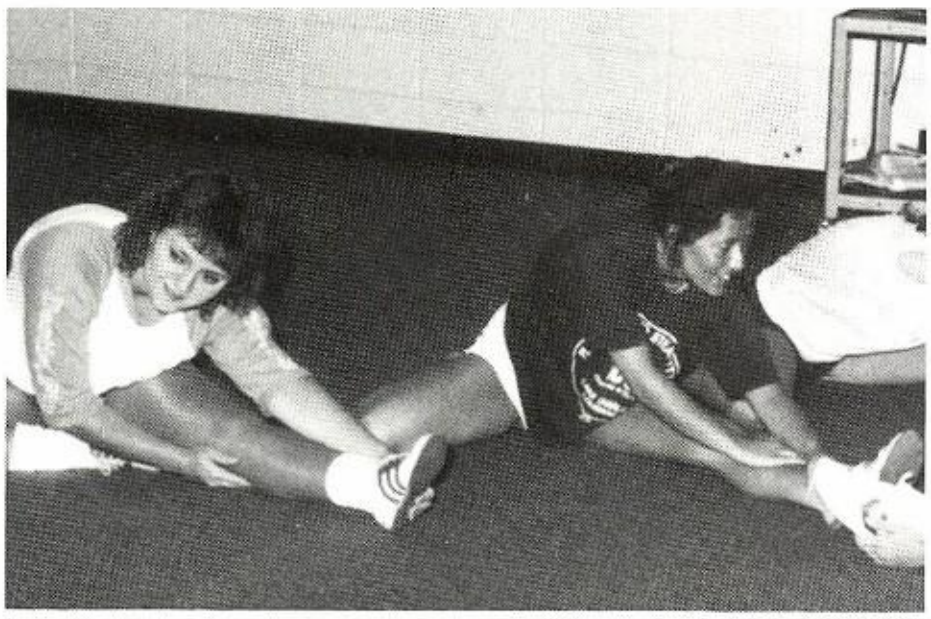
"There was a lot of pressure," remembered head-cheerleader, Christi Bono. "We'd have to decide on what to cheer real fast. We could never show we were under pressure because the crowd would notice. But even with all the pressure, it was a blast."

When the pep rallies were changed from first hour to after school, the cheerleaders took it in stride. "I really enjoyed doing afternoon pep rallies," declared Kim Chaisson. "Our sponsor, Miss Reed, said the Besse Board may put them after school next year anyway."

"The practice and hard work really paid off. I liked the sense of togetherness within the squad." — RENEE MCCOMBS

The cheerleaders were masters at their craft, never stopped by weather or attitude.

AT LEGS LENGTH. Varsity Cheerleaders, Jan Gwatney, Cindy Bates, and Stephanie Borel practice their part of a stunt.



THE WARM UP. Seniors, Kim Chaisson and Trisha Thibodeaux take time to stretch before a strenuous practice.

OUTDOOR BACKDROP. The switch to after school pep rallies gives a change of scenery to junior Michelle Dunman's pom-pom-chant.

VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

Head
Christi Bono
Co-head
Cindy Bates

Stephanie Borel
Kim Chiasson
Kim Crater
Michelle Dunman
Jan Gwatney
Angie Logan
Renee McCombs
Trisha Thibodeaux

YELL FOR THE BUCS. The Varsity cheerleaders encourage the crowd to cheer on the Bucs at the Acadiana game.

SILENT EMOTION. Junior, Kim Crater is speechless as the Bucs go into triple overtime against LaGrange.

FOR THE FUN OF IT. Free-spirited Angie Logan shows that being a cheerleader can be something to jump about.

THREE HIGH. The Varsity Cheerleaders excel in their most difficult pyramid which they learned at camp.

CHORUS

Music Makers

Chorus was a group of people with a common love: song. Directed by Mrs. Peggy Corley, they made the rounds of competitions and festivals. With great joy, they entertained the crowds who came to hear their voices.

Competition, while not having to do with actual singing, was an important part of the chorus year. They placed 1st at District Rally, and at State Rally where they placed several times. Kim James, Keith Mortimer, Jared Nelson, and Carol Thompson placed superior as a mixed quartet, and Ernie Bryson, Greg Comeaux, John Herr, and Gary Vincent placed superior as a boys' quartet. Julie Morgan and Carol Thompson placed superior in solo, while Keith Mortimer and Ernie Bryson both placed superior in boys' solo.

With most organizations, money is needed to make things run smoothly. The chorus was no exception. In early October, they sold cookies and raised $2500 for new music to use during the coming year. "We sold more cookies than I was expecting," emphasized chorus member Jocelyn Bauer.

"Chorus is a break for me. It's a chance to relax and sing and get away from the books." — CATHERINE BURGE

But the main purpose of chorus was to sing. Every hour of the day, a different group of melody makers took to class to sing their hearts out. "Class was really my favorite part of chorus," enthused Becky Sanchez. "That was where we learned how to do everything."

The chorus, a group of dedicated vocalists, worked hard through the year to show everyone how good they were. Music, however, still was the main reason they belonged. The chorus was a bunch of music makers forever living in La La Land. — CHOZEN

CHORUS DIVISIONS

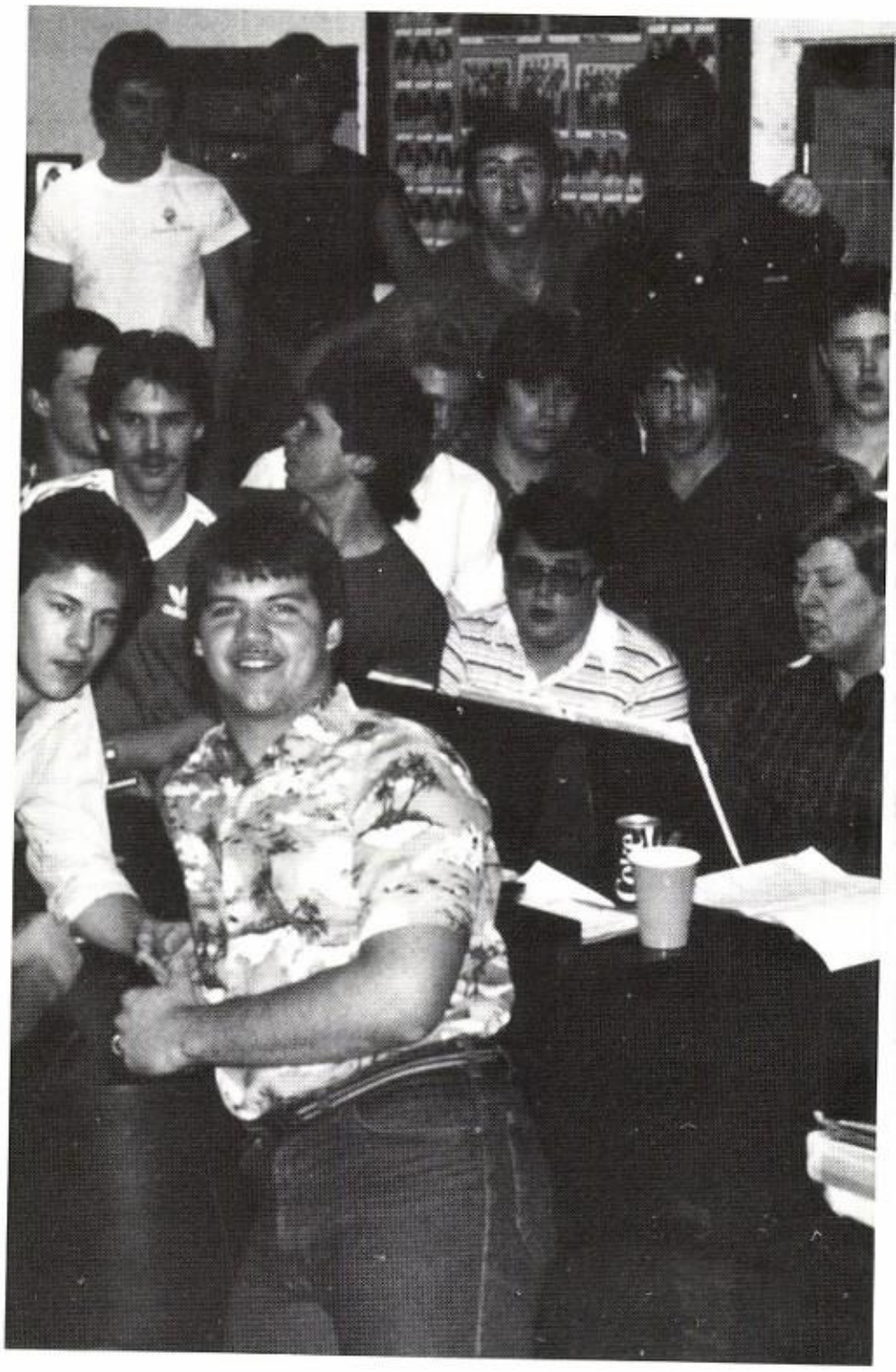
Boys' Chorus

Girls' Chorus

Intermediate Chorus

Advanced Chorus

Concert Chorus



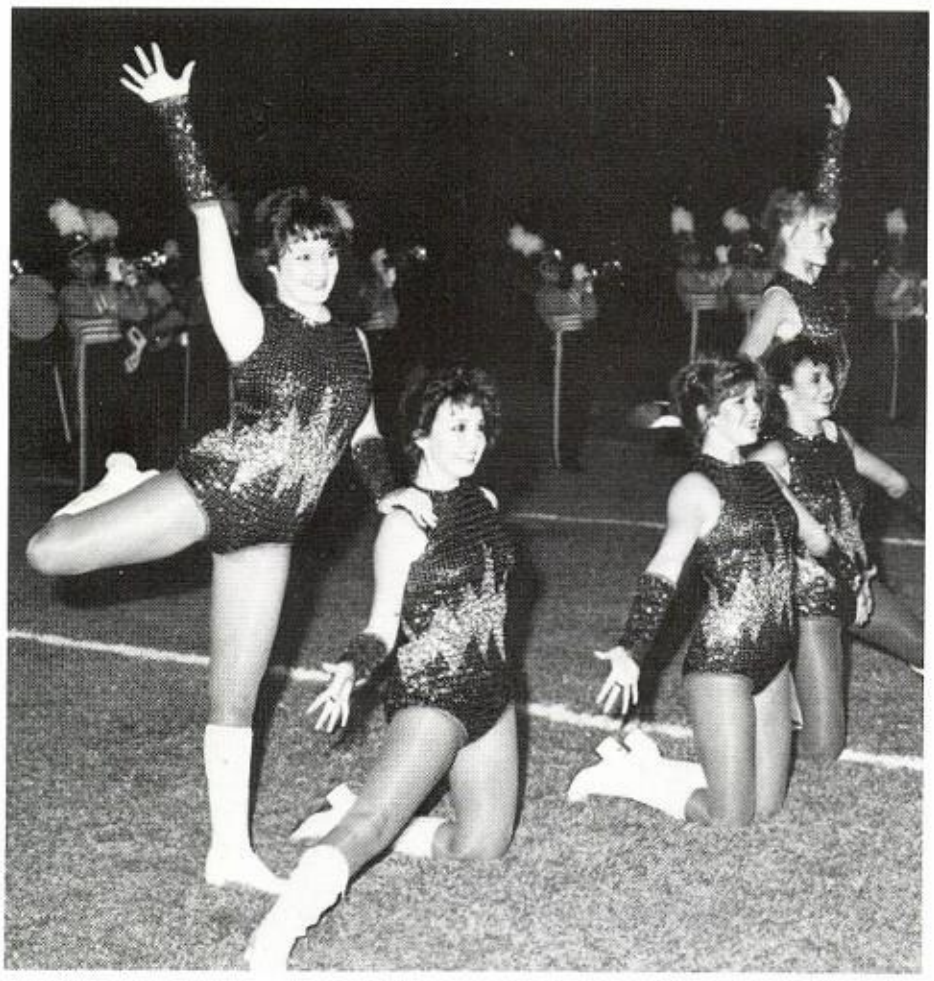
AMATEUR BROADWAY. Chorus members gave a little extra to the Christmas season by presenting the musical version of "A Christmas Carol." (Pictured Above)

MALE CHAUVINISM. 4th hour Boys Chorus gathers around Mrs. Corley to prove their singing talents.

TIME TO SING. Mrs. Corley's 4th hour class was reserved for Advanced Chorus members.

COED QUARTET. Becky Masters, junior, Carol Thompson, Mike Holiday, and Keith Mortimer, seniors, practice their solo ensemble.

BLUEBELLES



FREEZE! Lisa Manuel, Tracy Bourque, Becky Rogers, Kitty Stephens, and Kathy McMillan smile as they hold the ending pose to "Land of 1000 Dances."

BEHIND IT ALL. Abi Porter, sponsor gives the girls complimentary introductions as Denton Henrich waits for his cue to begin the music.

GO BUGS! Bluebelles show their spirit as they cheer the football team on to victory during the Acadiana game.

BLUEBELLE OFFICERS

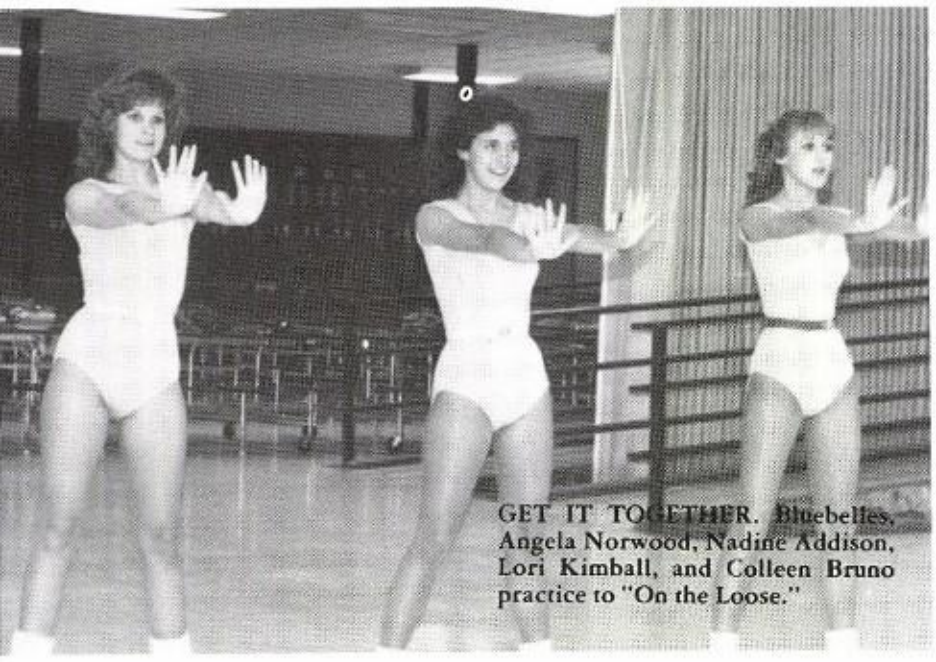
Captain
Karen Abate

Sr. Co-Captain
Vickie Doucet

Jr. Co-Captain
Kathy McMillan

PRETTY YOUNG THINGS. Bluebel dress like Little People as they dance "P.Y.T." during halftime of the L basketball game.

WORKING ON TECHNIQUE. Ka Abate, captain, shows Laurie Perry, juni the proper placement for her hands.



GET IT TOGETHER. Bluebelles, Angela Norwood, Nadine Addison, Lori Kimball, and Colleen Bruno practice to "On the Loose."

All in a Row

Every afternoon in the cafeteria, from Monday through Friday, they could be seen stretching out before perfecting the steps to a new dance. The Bluebelles were always practicing to be better and better.

Competition was stiff as applicants tried out for the 27 places on the dance line in the spring. The stretches, kicks and splits were easy compared to the really difficult stunt-dancing and smiling at the same time.

Nadine Addison remembered how she felt when she got a spot on the dance line. "I'm glad it wasn't a joke."

Being a senior Bluebelle means I have more impact on what we do as a group," said Kelly Melton. "I'm used to the routine of things. My ideas are given more consideration."

The football and basketball crowds' attention perked up whenever the squad lined up to perform to choreographed routines to the beat of popular songs such as; "Beat It," "Shopping A-Z," and "On the Loose." A favorite was "Little People," performed at the Homecoming pep rally.

"All the practice and hard work is worth it when we're out there and everyone's clapping. That's when being a Bluebelle is really fun." — NADINE ADDISON

That was a fun song to dance to," admitted Janie Kleinschmidt. "We were dressed up like little kids. We had our knees tied together and little eyeholes to look out of.

Athletes and audience alike admired the Bluebells' talent and effort. Football player Brian Johnson commented, "I really appreciate it when they dance for us."

IN THE SPOTLIGHT. Senior, Sheila Lambert stands to face the crowd as she dances to "Love is in Control" at a football pep rally.

SCA

Starting Tradition

There are those who say "money isn't everything," but you couldn't prove it by the Freshman and Sophomore Student Councils. Their year began, highlighted and ended with fund raising quests for the almighty dollar.

Both groups worked jointly to sponsor the council banquet, but the sophomores put most of their pennies aside for financing next year's Junior-Senoir Prom. According to sophomore Allison Porter, their projects got a good reception. "Ice cream sandwiches proved to be something people wanted to buy." The Christmas candy-grams met with equal success. Freshman, Chris Ferguson and sophomores, Anna Tarver and Stuart Morstead were among the students buying the chocolate Santa Clauses to send greetings to their loved ones.

Freshmen senators preferred using physical labor to earn their dollars. Window washing and raking autumn leaves brought in the cash and, according to freshman, Angie Sizemore, "were fun at the same time."

The ninth grade group must have had some drawing card because in their first month they won the Outstanding Council Award for good meeting attendance and hard work.

"Everyone attended the meetings nearly every week," reported Shea Bohannon, secretary.

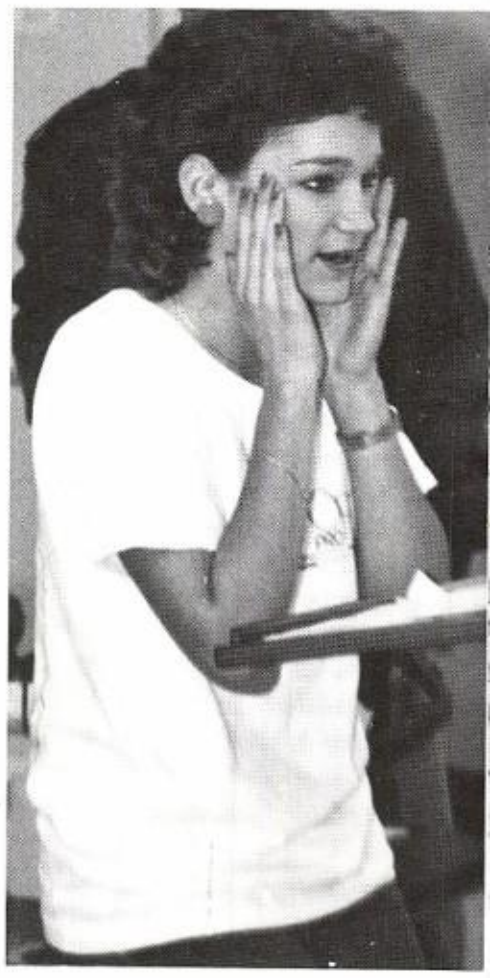
While not completely free of expenses, these Student Councils have made a dent in covering the cost of prom their junior year and Homecoming their senior year. Although there was more work ahead, they had made a good start. — CHOZEN

"Being the new kids on the block we've mainly concentrated on building our image as a super class. We've had a lot of fundraisers this year and our goal is to end our freshman year with $1000. Hopefully next year will be as fun as this was" — CHRIS MOFFETT

SPLISH SPLASH. Sophomore, Skip Rogers, puts in his required time at a carwash in the parking lot of Mere's. Proceeds went to the funding of Student Council [illegible]

STUDENT COUNCIL

FRESHMAN OFFICERS	SOPHOMORE OFFICERS
President	*President*
Chris Moffett	Skip Rogers
Vice-President	*Vice-President*
Bart Ezell	Allison Porter
Secretary	*Secretary*
Shea Bohannon	Tracy Spees
Treasurer	*Treasurer*
Judy Boyett	Rolf Morstead
Reporter	*Reporter*
Paige Harkins	Allison Porter
Historian	*Historian*
Paul Cooper	Nadine Addison



BIG TIME EMERGENCY. Judy Boyett informs the senate that the treasury is at a low of $200.

BIG BILLS. Sophomore, Kelley Sullivan, reluctantly hands over a five dollar bill to Caroline Zama. She is buying some goodies at a bake sale in front of school.

MONEY MATTERS. Chris Moffett, freshman, stresses the point of having at least $500 by the end of the freshman year.

MAKING MONEY. Jordan Harlow and Melissa Fontenot, seniors, take up an admission fee of $2.00 for the annual Talent Show sponsored by the Senior Student Council.

SCA

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LeeAnn Waguespack
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Terri Courville
Vice-President
Debi Turek
Secretary
Shawn Cary
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Karla Jacobi
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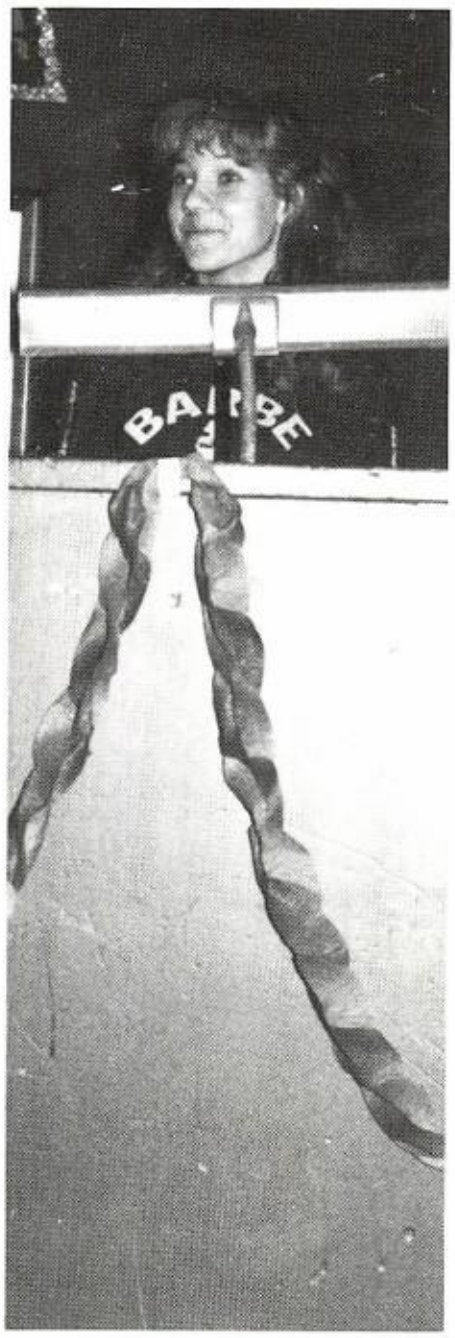
REHEARSAL TIME. Junior president, Terri Courville, lets out a small giggle of relief after a tiresome 30 minute practice for Mr. and Miss Barbe court presentation.



THE BOSS. Senior, Dina Sonnier, supervises the making of decorations for Homecoming, sponsored by the Senior Student Council.

PRESS 1-2-3. Shawn Cary, junior, re-applies two fallen balloons. The brick walls at the Country Club presented decorating problems for members of the Prom Committee.

Keeping Tradition

As the Junior, Senior, and Executive Student Councils each worked toward their own goals, the Common goal of better student body-administration relationship was accomplished.

When prom was the question, the Juniors had the answers. They rallied behind countless car washes, bake sales, and dances to produce a socially and financially successful prom. "As Prom came closer, instead of panicking like we thought we would, we got together and really worked hard," Lan Ewing explained.

"We put on Homecoming and the Talent Show. We also gave a lump sum of $5000 to the computer fund as a senior gift. We hope the seniors-to-be will have as much fun as we've had." - TIM TAYLOR

The Senior Class had their work cut out for them as they tried to leave a lasting memory of themselves through Homecoming and the senior gift. With a helping hand from their sponsor, Mrs. Raetzsch, the seniors put on a great Homecoming and gave over $5000 to the school computer fund by selling mementos, such as senior shirts.

Overseeing all this was the Executive Student Council, the ruling body of the Senate. Though they dealt mostly with the by-laws and Senate, they did coordinate the activities during Homecoming week and Save Our Sweetheart Drive.

Throughout the year, these councils have worked to make the year memorable for the student body. These people weren't only keeping traditions; they were making them.

LOPSIDED. Freshman maid, Crissy Ferguson, discovers that she is uneven. Her escorts are Celeste Sole and Annie Bennerscheidt.

YEARBOOK

Nothing Halfway About Us

Yearbook didn't start on the first day of school. The spring before, when others were thinking only of the long summer vacation, yearbook applicants dug in and set to work. They had accepted the consequences of a different type of class.

Staffers discussed features and layouts late into the muggy Arkansas night at workshop.

They trudged the hot summer pavements selling ads, they spent every free moment creating mockups and attending sessions.

"I'm involved in student council, N.H.S., and yearbook," revealed Debi Turek. "And student council and yearbook are definitely the hardest."

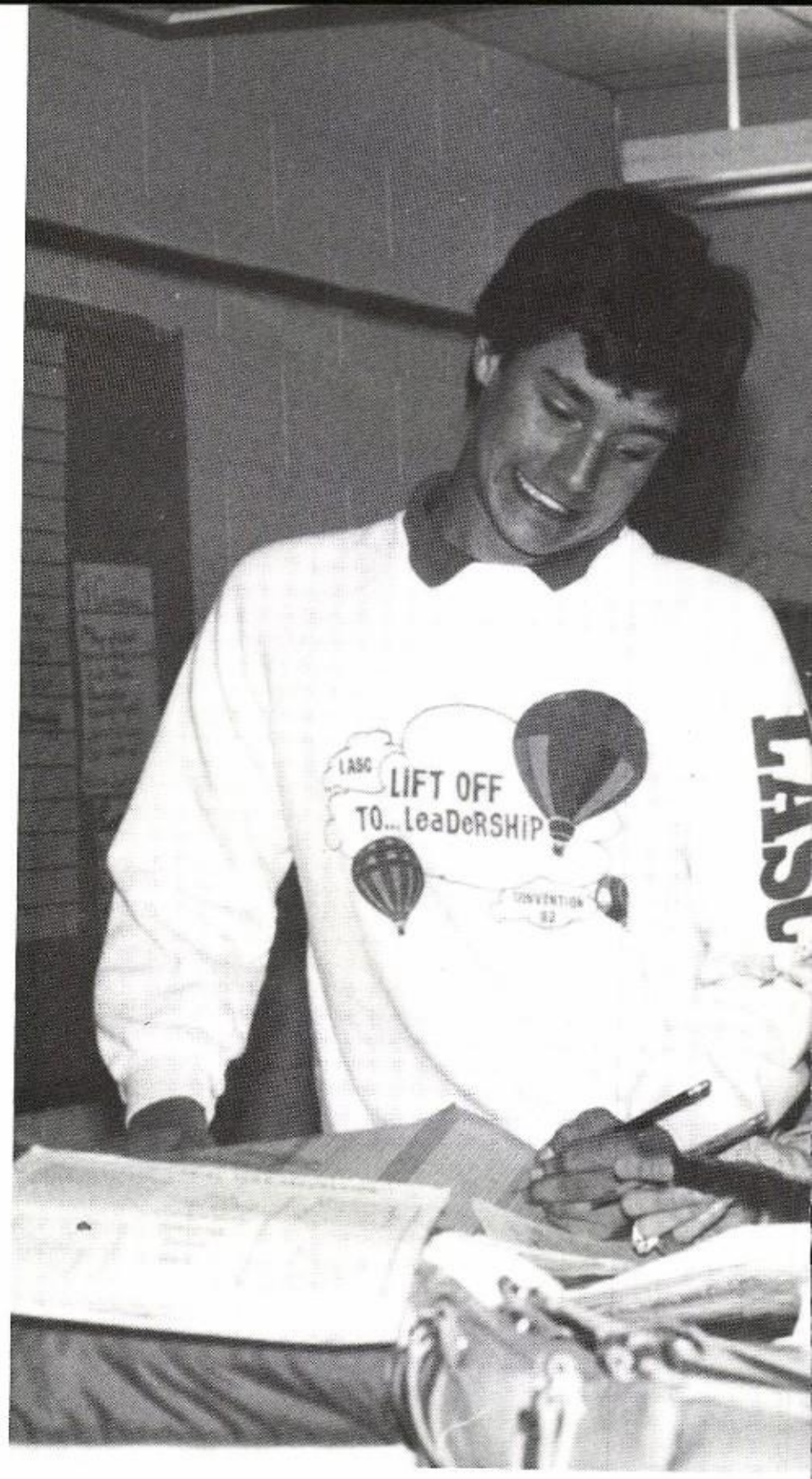
Staff members were involved in many other activities, but as advisor, Ms. Lancon, reminded them frequently, "You think yearbook, breathe yearbook, *live* yearbook!"

Red ink in the budget made earning funds a top priority. Staffers broke all previous ad sales topping off at $4000.

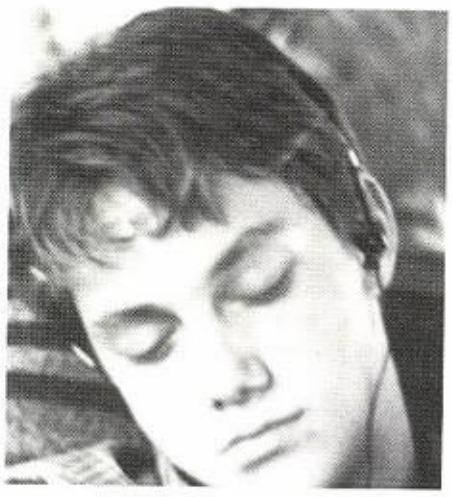
Staffers spent hours perfecting layouts, assigning pictures for photographers, and worrying about the next deadlines. "I burn the 2 a.m. oil trying to finish on time," lamented Laura Dimmick.

"It's a real pain when everyone is asking questions about deadlines, cropping, and drawing quad-paks. But I know it's worth it when I think about the finished product." — EDITOR, MAUREEN MARCON

The course of events wasn't always smooth, but the yearbook was finally put together. "What a relief" said Grady Akins.

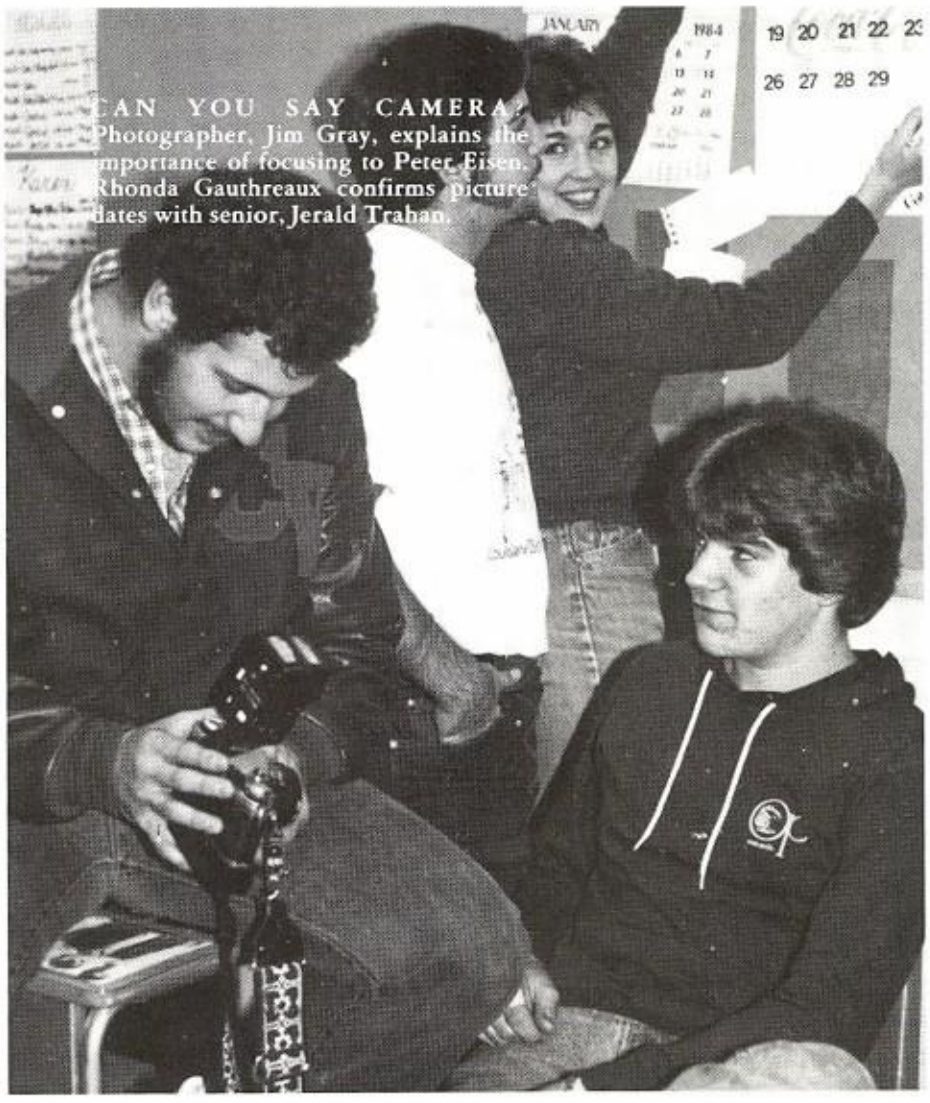


NERVOUS TWITCHES. As the bell rings, Eric Thompson, rushes to finish his mock-up. Laura Sepulvado, and Lisa Wojciechowski give him advice on placing tic marks.

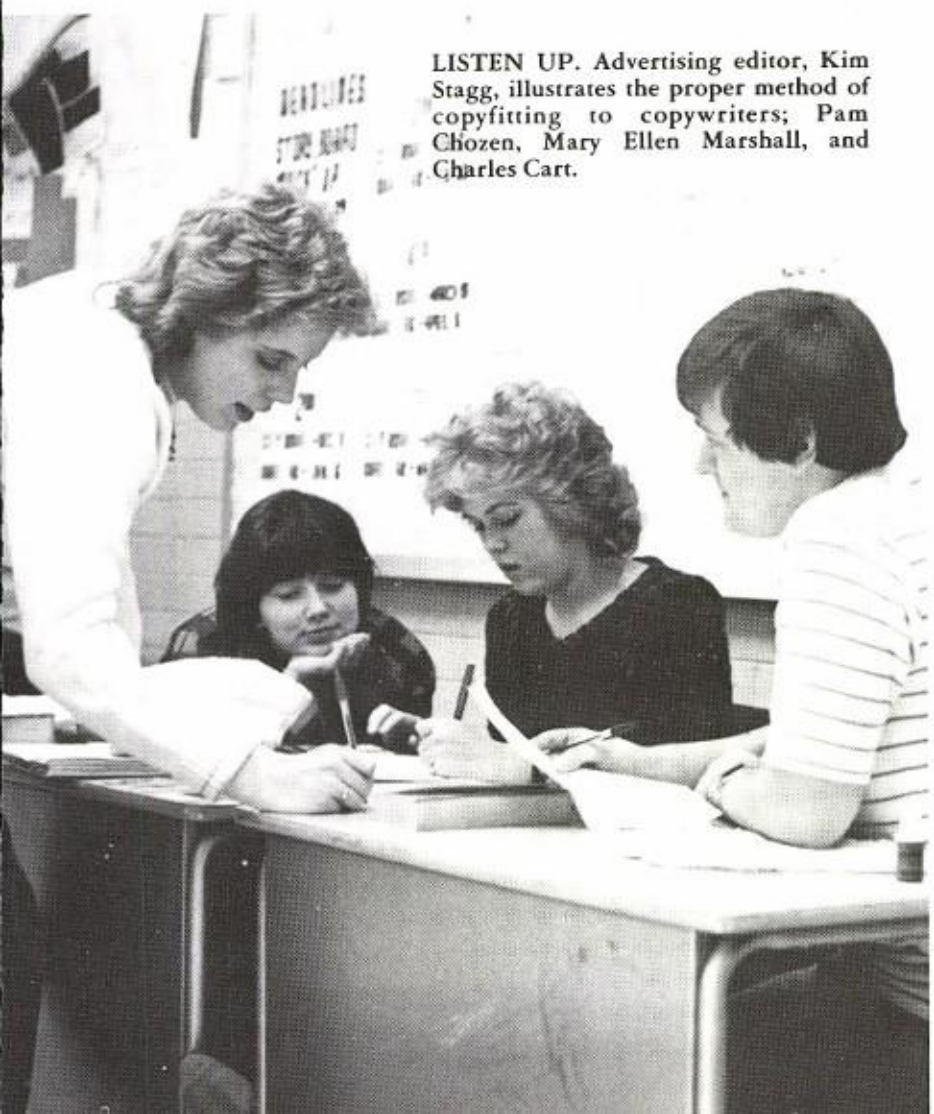


GRABBING SOME Z's. Craig Richardson, senior, is lulled to sleep by his music on the way home from the LSU Yearbook Workshop in Baton Rouge.

GOING BANANAS. Sponsor, Gwen Lancon goes insane after seeing the long line of staffers all having numerous amounts of questions.



CAN YOU SAY CAMERA? Photographer, Jim Gray, explains the importance of focusing to Peter Eisen. Rhonda Gauthreaux confirms picture dates with senior, Jerald Trahan.



LISTEN UP. Advertising editor, Kim Stagg, illustrates the proper method of copyfitting to copywriters; Pam Chozen, Mary Ellen Marshall, and Charles Cart.

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DECISIONS, DECISIONS, Editor, Maureen Marcon, looks through some negatives in hopes of finding a picture for her opening page.

NEWSPAPER

Laying Out Black and White

"They're hard-working, and for the most part, a good staff," observed Mrs. Connie McDonald, newspaper advisor. Added senior Anne Marie Gallipeau, "There are seven or eight people who put the paper out, but we always get the job done." The *Barbe Wire* rolled out once a six weeks, enlightening students on subjects of importance.

Conviction to telling the public what's going on is one of the main goals of the staff. Although not a regular member of the crew, affiliate reporter Scott Henderson was still dedicated. "I really enjoy newspaper because I think people should know what's going on around the school. Also, I'm interested in journalism and the newspaper helps me to develop my writing skills at the same time."

"Being a staffer made me feel good because of all the good comments that the students gave the paper." — STEPHANIE FONTENOT

Putting out the tabloid was no easy job, either. It was the result of weeks of researching and reviewing, a joint effort of every staff member. "It's a process that involves a variety of skills — from typing and proofreading to actually pasting up the final copy," explained senior Sylvia Duhon, editor. "The staff must take an overview of the process and constantly work towards the final product." The staff has been known to work as late as midnight getting the paper ready.

On a small staff, it took work, conviction, and dedication to make things run smoothly. While everything was not always perfect, the staff made sure that all things were crystal-clear. There were no gray areas here, it was all in black and white. — CHOZEN

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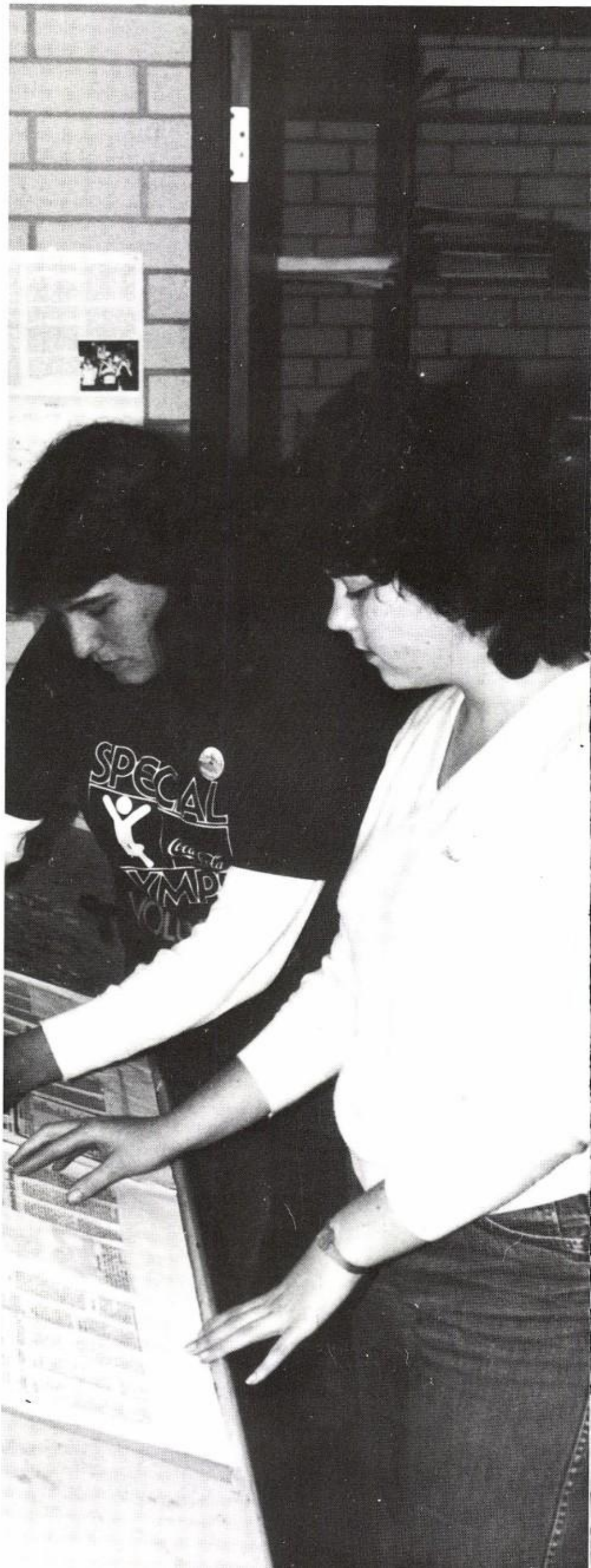

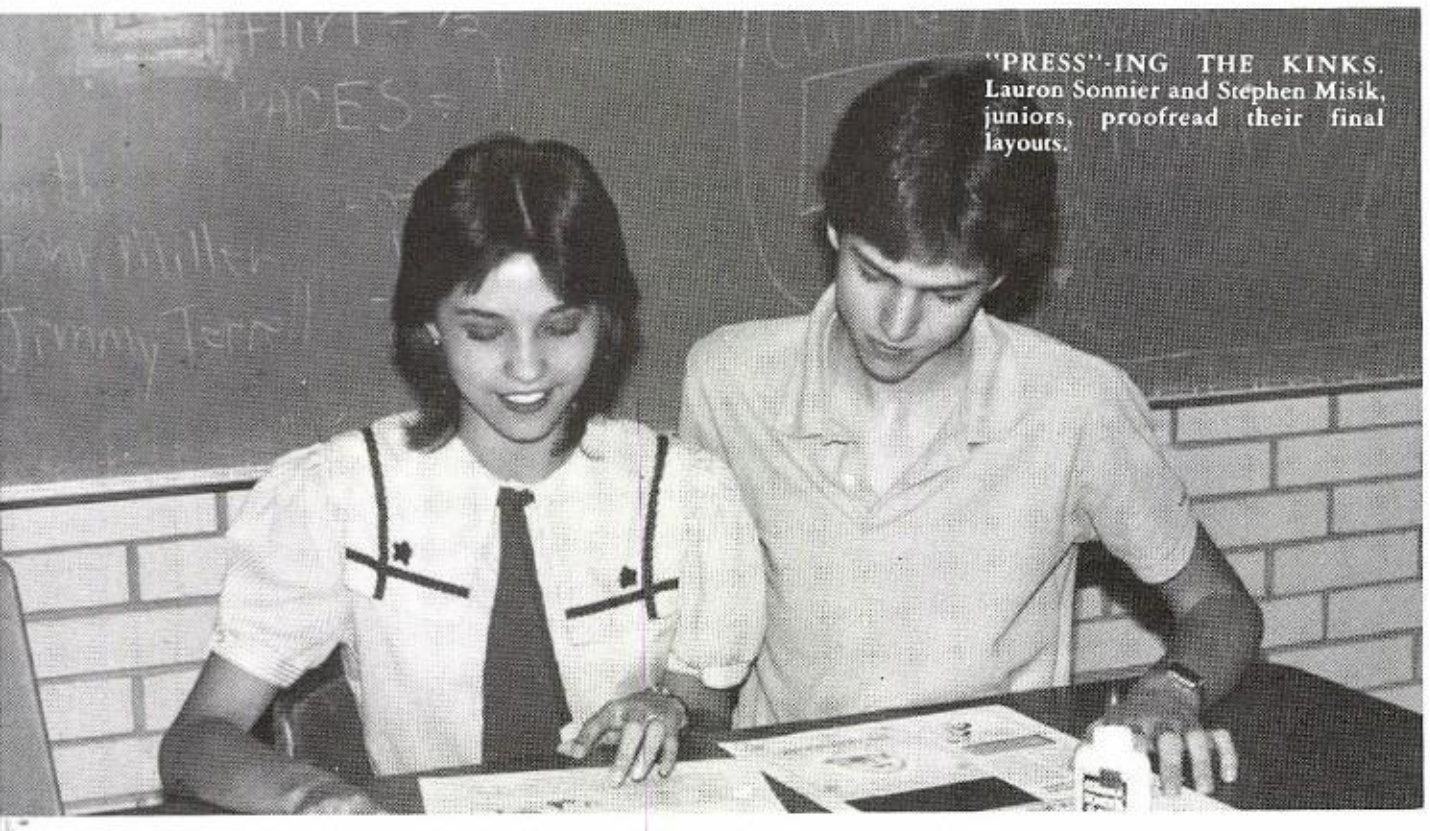

"PRESS"-ING THE KINKS. Lauron Sonnier and Stephen Misik, juniors, proofread their final layouts.

LOOKING FOR PERFECTION. Mrs. McDonald, sponsor, checks for grammar and punctuation errors before sending the layout to the printers.

PREPARATIONS. Photographers, Vincent Salvador and Jon Lipre check the camera before a photo session.

Playing with the King of Hearts

In the childhood fairy tale *Alice in Wonderland*, one remembers the cruel Queen of Hearts. This year's Twirp could be thought to be dedicated to her husband who put up with her all those years.

The Twirp dance, sponsored by the chorus, was created to recognize the young men and their achievements during their high school years. Four men of Barbe's "finest" were nominated and elected by the students for their accomplishments in at least one category of leadership, athletics, or scholastic ability and have shown complimentary behavior.

The Twirp Court consists of seniors: Rusty Carr, Paul Cormier, Tom Moore, Will Nassar, and Mark Wegener; juniors: Darren Caillouet, Paul Cormier, Rusty Hayes, and Ricky Self; sophomores: Richard Pellerin, Skip Rodgers, and Paul Demarie; and freshmen: Chris Moffet and Bart Estill.

T.W.I.R.P. is an abbreviation for The Woman is Required to Pay.

The dance will be held tomorrow in the Lake Charles Country Club. It starts at 9:00 p.m. and will last until approximately 1:00 a.m. Couples who wish to take their pictures early can have theirs taken at 8:00 p.m. so that they do not have to wait in line during the dance.

The King of Hearts will be crowned at 11:00 p.m.

The disc jockey group that will rock the Country Club is "The Outlaws."

In keeping with the "King of Hearts" theme, most of the decorations will consist of red, gold, white, and black balloons scattered throughout the Club. Decks of cards will be found throughout the halls of the Country Club also.

The dedicated work of Barbe's chorus started right after the holidays. The [illegible] their classes [illegible] balloons and [illegible] ations for the [illegible] of the decorat[illegible] made after [illegible]

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Author visits school, promotes her books

"If I don't write I feel like my day has been wasted," commented a renowned Louisiana author to the crowd of students. Mary Alice Fontenot, who has written the text book *The Louisiana Experience*, a series of children's books revolving around the "Clovis the Crawfish" character, and several cookbooks, recently visited Barbe High School.

Because of the surge to revive the Cajun French language, the parish, in

The book is comprised of ten chapters exploring topics such as burial customs, black magic, farming, Mardi Gras, and superstitions. Many of the tales Mrs. Fontenot unravels in her book are ones that were told to her by her students at North Vermellion High School. The students either had heard the local stories as small children or had made them up in their childhood.

Mrs. Fontenot is probably best known, though, throughout the

books are meant "the combina[tion] nature lore with fantasy."

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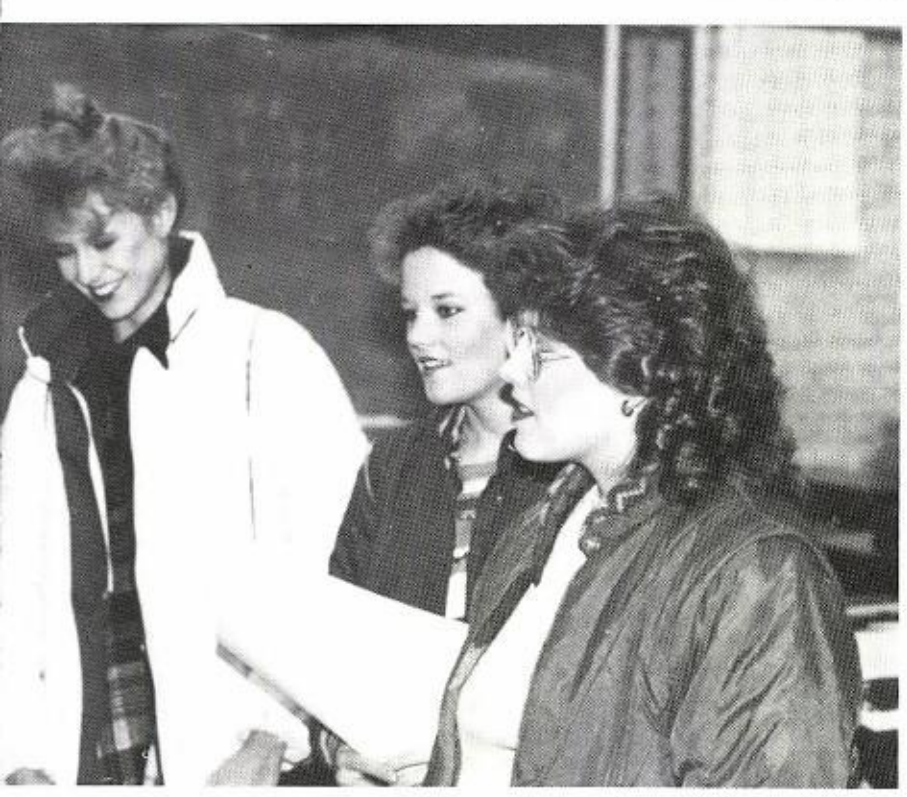
THE FINISHED PRODUCT. Hard work and dedication from the staffers help to make the newspaper a success.

PIECE BY PIECE. Editor Sylvia Duhon, left, and staffer, Anne Marie Galipeau, take time to fit copy for an attractive layout.

AWARDS TIME. S.O.S. members, Mary Ellen Marshall, Kim Stagg, and Laurette Stevens, rack in the awards at the annual S.O.S. Banquet.

DEEP IN THOUGHT. As SOS president, Karen Wyche looks over her meeting agenda, she concentrates on how to organize it all.

SOMETHING IS FUNNY. Key Club members find sponsor, Daniel Racca's, jokes absolutely hysterical.



Business As Usual

Who was responsible for stapling together the pages of the school calender? Who provided the inside information on every student that is contained within the pages of the Barbe Key? The service clubs — S.O.S. and Key Club.

S.O.S. sponsored by Cynthia Bertrand, helped beautify the school. They cleaned up the trophy case and re-planted the foliage in the planters. To help celebrate the holidays, they sold Halloween grams and Mardi Gras carnations.

> S.O.S. has really done a lot this year. We have been involved in many activities such as dance marathon, an Easter egg hunt, a special education dance, and we also paid utility bills for an elderly woman named Miss Flash. — KAREN WYCHE

"We paid the utility bills for an 87 year old woman named Miss Flash," said Laurette Stevens. "She protested about it, but after all, we are supposed to help people."

Karen Wyche commented on being president of S.O.S. "I enjoyed working with S.O.S. because it was a small club. We were able to work together more closely than in the bigger clubs."

The Key Club, sponsored by Dan Racca, provided service for the community and the campus. They helped their sponsor, The South Lake Charles Kiwanis, set up shop at their Arts and Crafts Fair.

Vice president, Greg Edwards was proud of his club's accomplishments."I think we did a lot of things for the school. We do the Barbe Key and sponsor the dance for the crippled children with the SOS.

The service clubs rounded off the year's end with cancer street drives, freshman orientation, and recruiting new members to carry off the tradition of business as usual for the years to come.

SERVICE OFFICERS

SOS CLUB OFFICERS	KEY CLUB OFFICERS
President	*President*
Karen Wyche	John Miller
Vice-President	*Vice-President*
Sandy Menard	Greg Edwards
Secretary	*Secretary*
Tien Nguyen	Jeff Peltz
Treasurer	*Treasurer*
Cynthia Jenkins	Tom Moore
Reporter	*Reporter*
Norma Welch	Jerald Trahan
Co-Historians	
Ashley McManus	
Carmen Roberts	

TARDY. SOS members, Barrette Brown, Kelley Moore, and Carmen Roberts are filled in after missing their Wednesday morning meeting.

SERVICE

Record Breakers

No one ever said anything about being "best." They didn't have to. There was something about the way the 1st place awards gleamed from their shelf of honor in sponsor, David Willoughby's room that said "Do it!"

New members were determined to uphold tradition, and to do that, they needed two things; money and man hours. The July Mallard Cove Celebrity Golf Tournament provided both. "We made $212 sweating to death, measuring longest drives and selling chances to win golf balls," Penny Sargent said. "The heat made a few people kind of crazy. Darrell Burgess and Scott Doyle tipped over a golf cart playing bumper cars. And Troy Duhon pulled Eric Thompson right out of his cart so he could get in the chase after Greg Savant," Jordan Harlow added laughing.

The annual garage sale brought in $250. What was left over went to the Salvation Army.

Man-hours proved to be the easiest to come by. "My favorite project was the Optimist Club Haunted House," Tonya Sanders said, reminiscing. Rolf Morstead and Eric Bohdan swore they would never forget getting punched in the face. "And I'll never forget dripping that black paint in my mouth while I was painting the ceiling," announced Wendy Myers.

"When they announced Barbe as the best club in the state for the 5th year in a row that made all the hard work and frustration worth it. We have a super club and we're proud to be record breakers." — Lisa Wojciechowski

It was a year of nutty happenings and nervous anticipation. But convention finally arrived. Fingers were crossed and eyes were closed. Two categories were announced. Barbe's name was not called. The third category turned the tide with a 1st and 3rd in the school service division. Then came the "Best Club" category. The announcer said "Barbe" and the entire room rose for a standing ovation. The tradition of excellence lived.

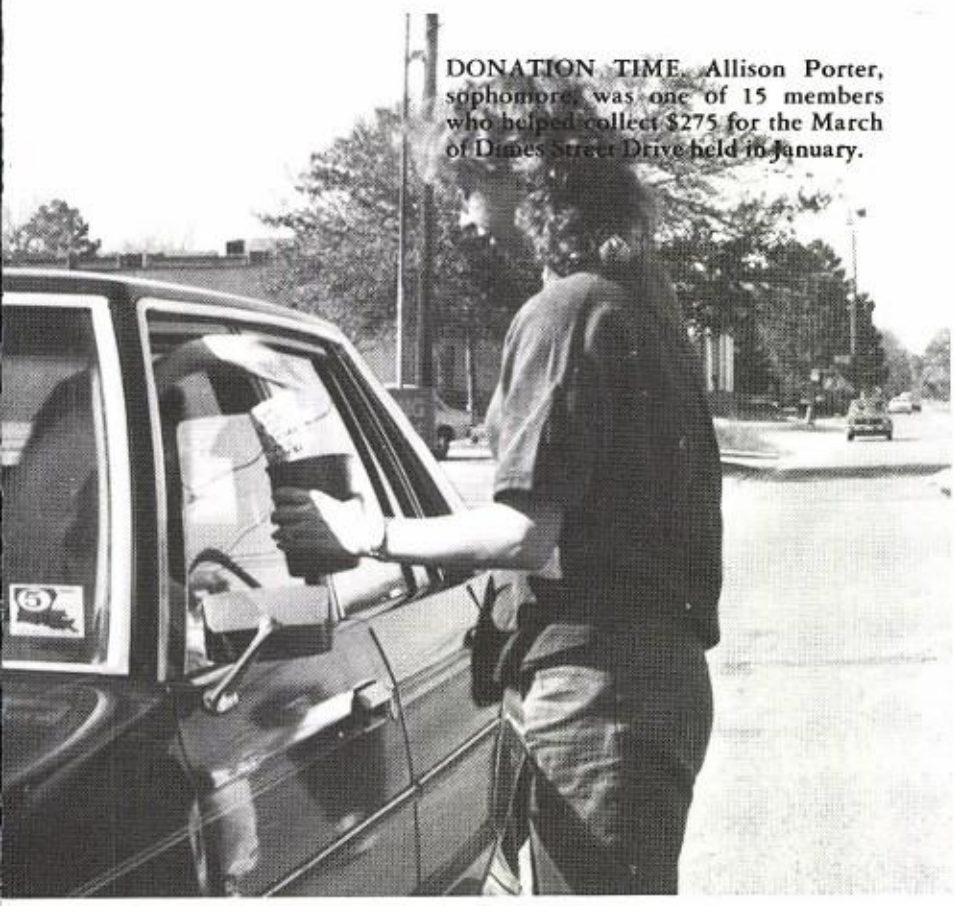
BOOOO. Haunted house workers, Kelly Sullivan and Melissa Fontenot get spooked as they hear a scream coming from the werewolf chamber. The Barbe club co-sponsored this event with the Lake Charles Optimist Club.

SERVICE

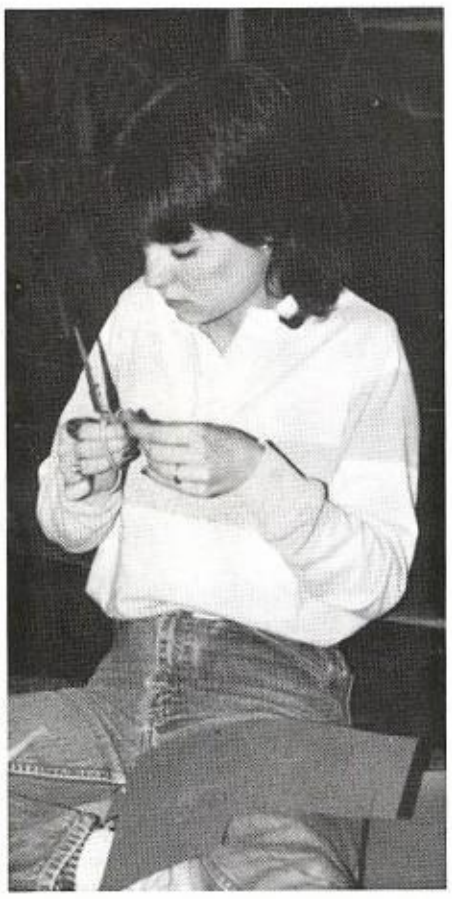
Pres. — Lisa Wojciechowski
V.P. — Maureen Marcon
Sec. — Stephanie Fontenot
Treas. — Mark Lundy
Rep. — Jordan Harlow
Co Hist. — Chris Trahan
Penny Sargent
Sgt.-at-Arms — Troy Duhon

SOMETHING TO SAY. Setting the ground rules for convention always brings on a heated discussion. Sponsor, David Willoughby, usually wins out.

THIS IS HOW IT'S DONE. Shawn Reed, Caroline Zama, and Susan Connella observe as historian, Chris Trahan, demonstrates the making of letters. For the fifth year in a row the scrapbook captured first in state competition.



DONATION TIME. Allison Porter, sophomore, was one of 15 members who helped collect $275 for the March of Dimes Street Drive held in January.



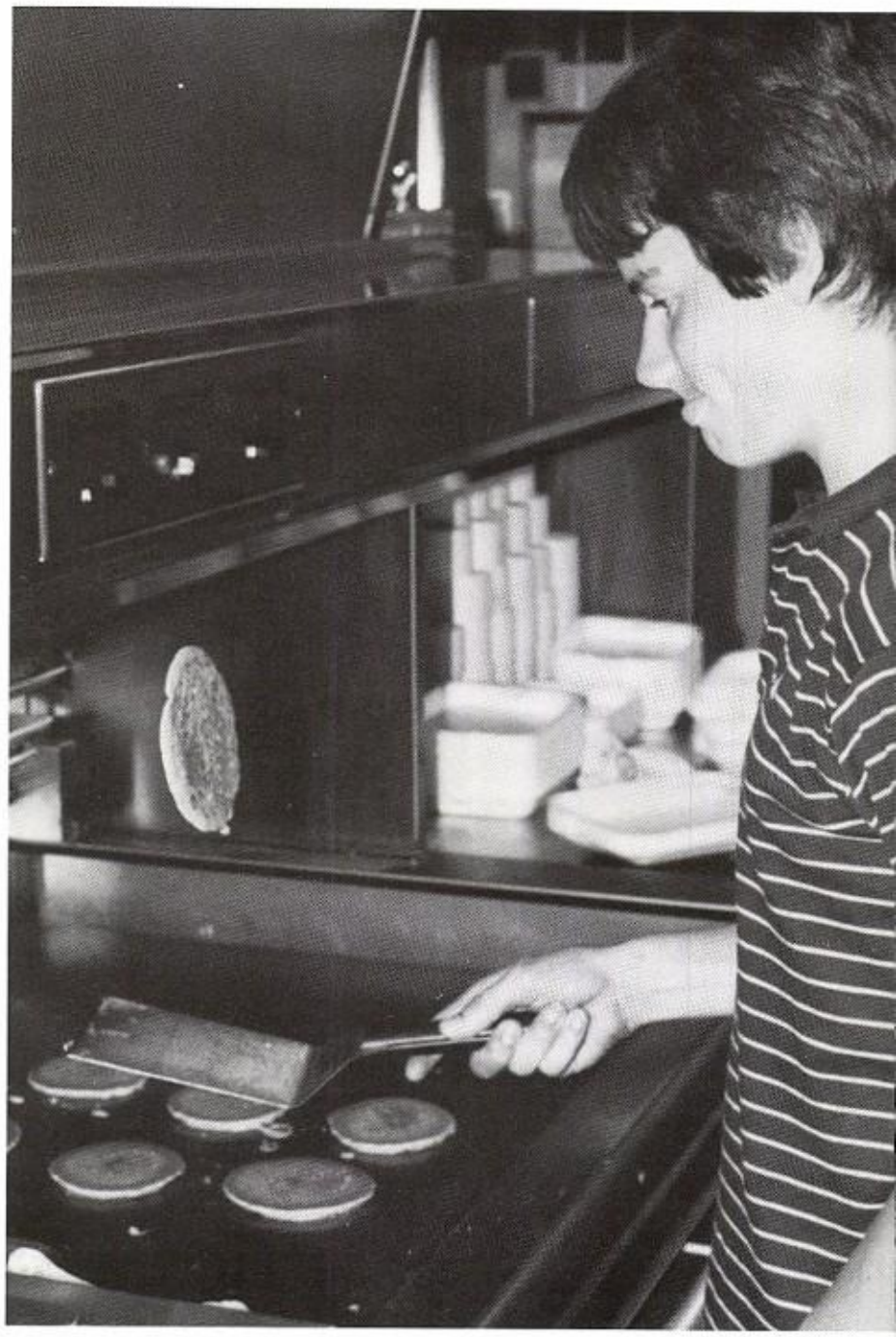
WATER FIGHTS. The crawfish boil had a few surprises for the president. Lisa Wojciechowski gets doused by Jordan Harlow's cup of ice water.

FOLLOWING THE LINES. Cutting letters for the scrapbook is tedious work. Jordan Harlow became a master at this art.

ACADEMICS

CHEF FOR A DAY. Keith Wimberly, sophomore, "flips" over cooking hotcakes at McDonalds for Latin Club.

WET PAINT. Christine Cain and Hon Tedrow, sophomores, finish the windows at West Bros. for an Art Club project.



TRIMMING THE TREE. French Club members Margaret McCreedy and Stephanie Chozen, president, gather mistletoe to sell as a fund raiser.

THE BIG QUESTION. Dina Sonnier, FHA president and sweetheart, patiently answers the judges' questions at the annual FHA convention.

ACADEMIC CLUBS

Art Club

Latin Club

French Club

Future Homemakers of America

Future Business Leaders of America

Undaunted Scholars

When students were really interested in a subject, there were ways that they could participate in it even if they weren't in class. A common way was to form a club. There were many clubs throughout the school that did just that. Art Club, FHA, FBLA, French Club, and Latin Club were but a few of the many organizations dedicated to pursuit of knowledge.

French Club, nonexistant for many years, was reborn this year as club president Stephanie Chozen attempted to reorganize it. "We had a lot of problems, like having no money. We had to start over from the ground up, but with all our hard workers, I think we've done pretty well."

Latin Club was made up of dedicated Latin scholars from Latin I and II. They won several awards at Latin Convention: Mary Ellen Marshall, senior, 2nd — Reading Comprehension; Jamie Currans, 1st — Derivatives and two 2nds — Reading, Translations; Eric Thompson, 2nd — 440 Relay; and Soccer team — 1st place tie.

FHA provided a Homecoming tea for the varsity football team, participated in the Home Life Festival, sold Halloween "goodies," and attended district and state conventions. For raising funds, they sold chocolate chip cookies to a hungry student body. "Being in FHA is fun!" enthused Christie Zumalt. "It's the most fun I've ever had in school."

FBLA, comprised of the business-minded around the school, attended conferences at the state and district levels. They also made their annual trip to Regina Caeli, where they distributed candy to the children on Halloween.

Art Club encompassed many of the upcoming artists around the school. They had a big year, doing everything from redecorating the commons to selling candygrams at Christmas.

These clubs were formed for learning by learners. Whatever the subject, they proved that they were undaunted scholars. — CHOZEN

SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE. Monique Keeter and Nona Sylvia, seniors, practice their typing skills.

ACADEMIC CLUBS

Advanced Science Club

Cooperative Office Education

Creative Writing

National Honor Society

In Addition to

For those who craved a little extra in their quest for higher learning, clubs were available. Whether it was a desire to get a headstart on business, to be a genius, a mad scientist, or the next Shakespeare, these clubs made the grade.

The COE program was designed for students to receive credit for working in an office half a day.

"It's a good experience," revealed Melanie Johnson. "I got on-the-job training, below minimum wage, of course."

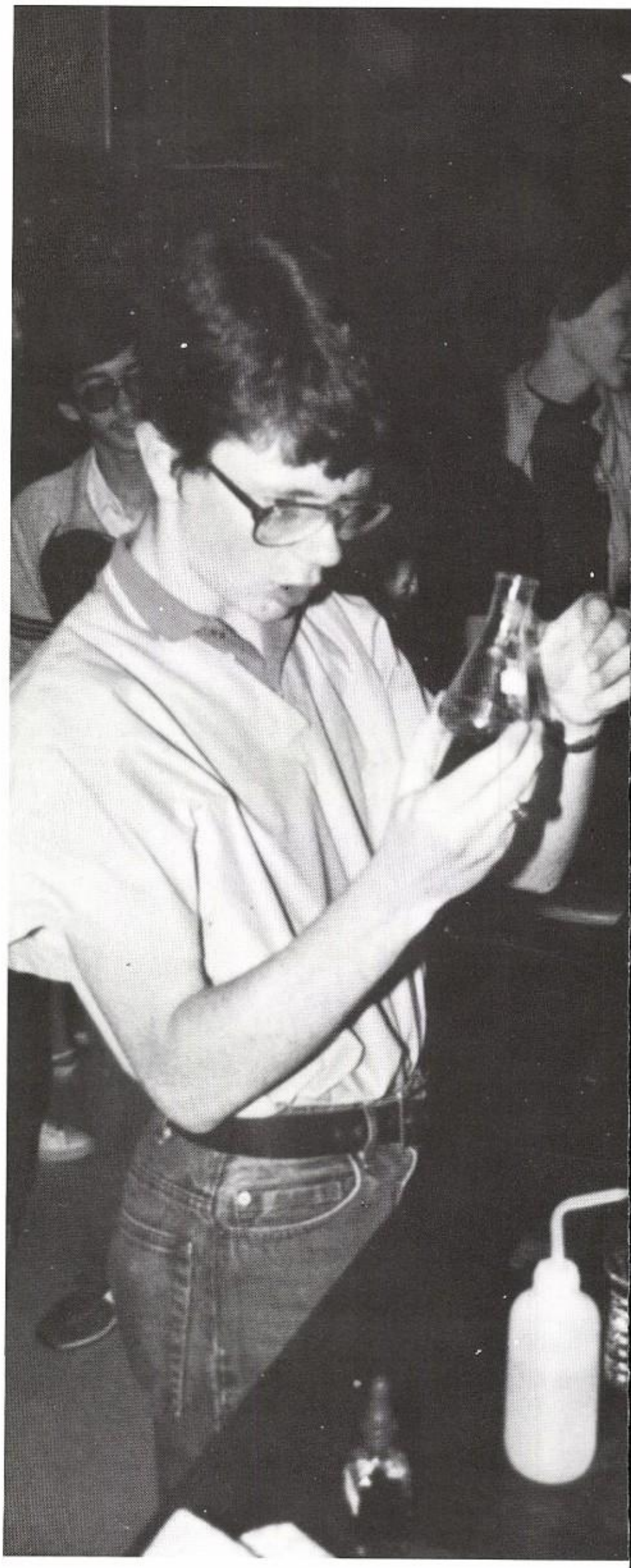
NHS was for the permanent fixtures on the honor roll. They provided emergency school supplies at the bookstore.

The Advanced Science Club heard speakers talk on everything from astronomy to liquid natural gas. The club held its Magic Show on April 5. They celebrated summer with a party on the Gulf.

"COE gave the opportunity to experience the kind of job I am interested in. It also increases your willingness to learn." — MONIQUE KEETER

Jamie Currans explained how to get into the Creative Writing Club. "You submit some prose to Mrs. Tarver and if you have talent, you're in. We've improved our writing and sponsored the "Changes" Writing Contest."

These clubs added new dimensions to education. Since these organizations were fun as well as informative, they were a welcome addition to classes. — MARSHALL



THE MAD SCIENTIST. James Tarver, junior, measures the right amount of chemicals for his secret potion.

FUTURE BUSINESSWOMEN. Nicole Jinks types a letter being dictated as Melinda Harrington looks on for mistakes.

THE LAST DROP. Sharon Racer and Tien Nguyen, juniors, pour the unused chemicals into containers after completing their job.

VOWS BY CANDLELIGHT. Newly inducted NHS members pledge to uphold the qualities of NHS membership.

JUDGING THE ENTRIES. Mrs. Tarver and Lisa Miller look over some of the entries for the Creative Writing contest.

Nothin' Halfway About It

Sports

SERVICE WITH A SMILE. Senior, Pam LeBato practiced duly to attain her number one rank for the school tennis team.

Medical journals report that students should spend as much time playing as studying to relieve tension. Students went all out for relaxing, whether it was competing in every sport or just participation in the Paper Airplane Contest. Whether participant or spectator, screaming or scoring, the sports scene was easy for everyone to relate to. And every point that an athlete earned just added up to the final score of great feelings for the year.

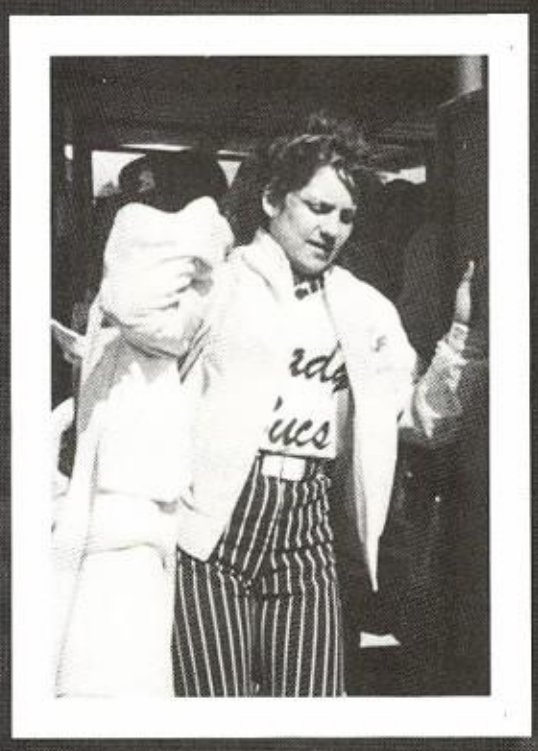
The football season was unexpectedly lengthened when the team shook off the reputation of being "underdogs" and went smoothly into gaining the title of 4-Quad A district champs, only stopped by the team that finally got State.

The volleyball team worked hard and got what they deserved — district champs. The boy's varsity basketball team won a record 27 games, but had the bad luck to lose three important district games and ended up in second place.

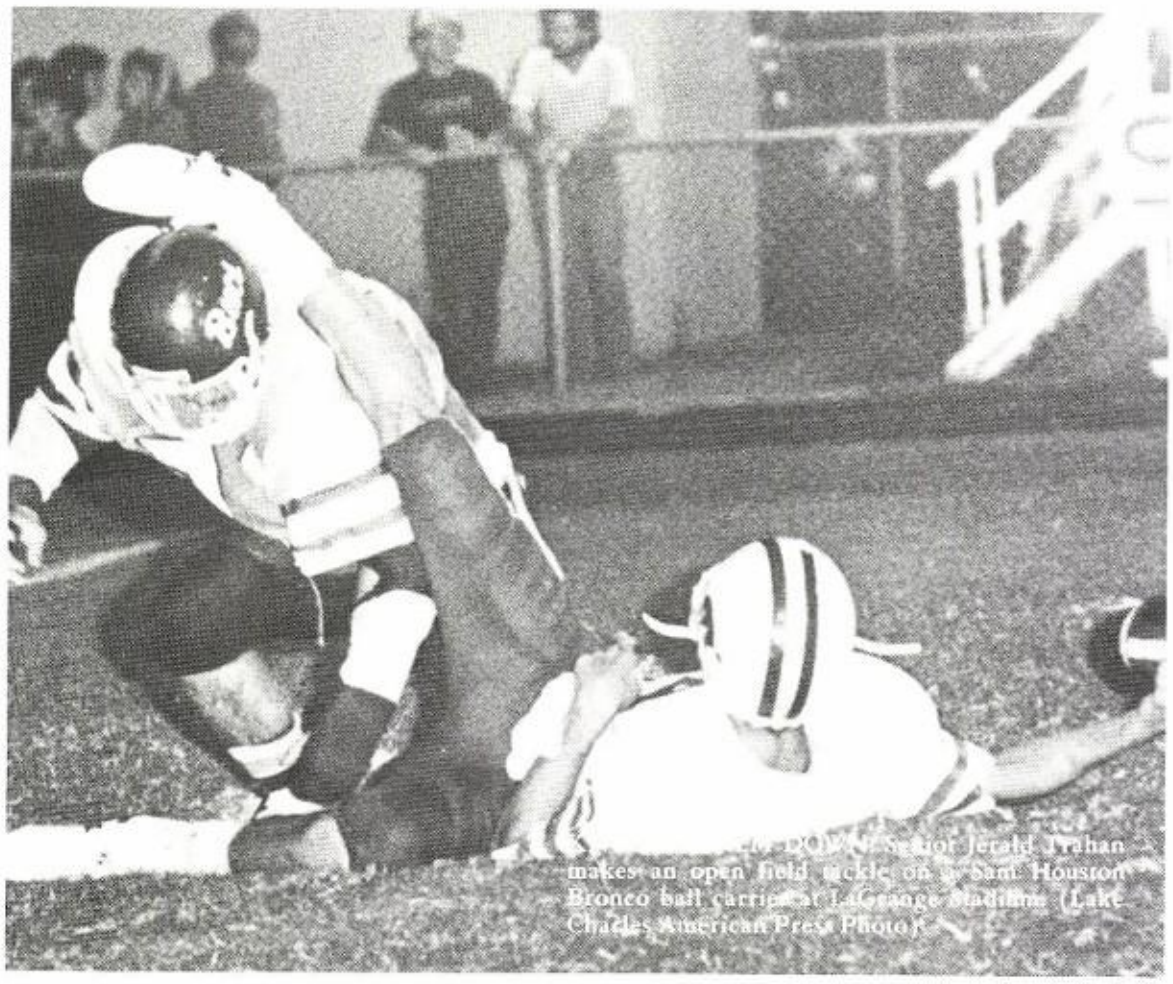
Even though not every team could end up with a cabinet of trophies, everyone realized that true effort had been put into every sport. And so there was no way to lose. — MARSHALL

BEHIND ENEMY LINES. Junior guard Gary Robertson tries to outsmart two Lake Charles-Boston players, Mark Cook (25) and David Dean (31) as the JV team scraped up a victory 64-62.

"GEARED" FOR VICTORY. Junior Jenet Manuel clears out the dug out after the Lady Bucs defeated the LaGrange Gators in a practice game.



Varsity Football



BOW'S Senior Jerald Trahan makes an open field tackle on a Sam Houston Bronco ball carrier at LaGrange Stadium. (Lake Charles American Press Photo)

Pushing It to the Limit

With Enough Power to Reach the Quarterfinals

As the football season drew nearer and nearer, the critics of the Bucs became louder and louder. Even the usually favorable *Lake Charles American Press* used less than first-rate adjectives to describe the relatively small Buc squad. "In pre-season, the polls don't mean much. They can help get you fired up sometimes, but they really don't reflect a team's abilities," explained District 4-A Coach of the Year Jimmy Shaver.

Paul Demarie stunned the Rayne Wolves' defense in the season opener. His impressive 206 yards rushing boosted the team to an 18-13 victory.

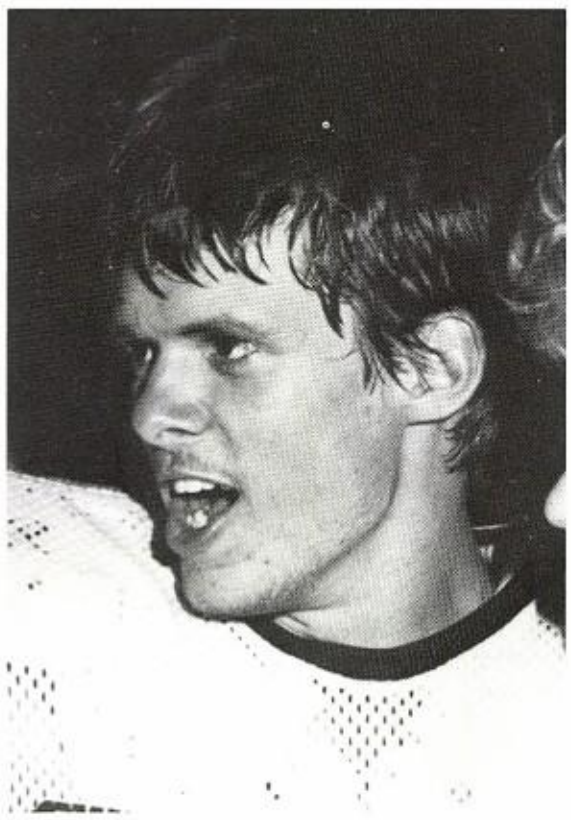
Two more victories, St. Louis 20-7 and Sam Houston 30-0, set the Bucs up for the game of the year — No. 1 ranked Jennings. The Bucs broke through their poster with a clap of thunder and never stopped, shocking the state with a blistering 23-0 victory. Barbe's defense shined throughout the night as they held Melvin Adams to 42 yards and the Bulldogs to only 78 total yards. Meanwhile, Barbe's offense didn't have any trouble getting uncorked as Demarie and David Monceaux combined for 182 yards on the ground. Mark Wegener included a 40-yard field goal in the Buc scoring binge.

Barbe paid a visit to seventh-ranked Lake Charles-Boston to open their bid for district. The game turned into a defensive tug of war as neither offense could get untracked. The Cougars claimed a 7-0 lead, but the Bucs fought back to pull within 7-6. Late in the game Barbe drove deep into enemy territory, but the clock ran out on the first loss of the season.

Barbe had its back up against the wall as they traveled to Sulphur to take on the Tors. Against the backdrop of Matt Walker Stadium, the Bucs turned a season-ending disaster into a morale-building triumph. Going into the fourth quarter, the surprising Tors held a 20-14 advantage on the Bucs and were driving for another score. Barbe's defense came up with an important turnover and things started to look up. It was short-lived, though, with a winning 19-13 score.

SPECIAL TEAMING. Robert McCarty, junior, picks up yardage on a punt return during the Jennings game at LaGrange Stadium. (Lake Charles American Press Photo)

JOYS OF VICTORY. Brad Blanchard, senior, celebrates with friends out on the field after a win over Sulphur at LaGrange Stadium.



COACH OF THE YEAR. Jimmy Shaver, head mentor, believes in strict disciplinary rules. (Lake Charles American Press Photo)

Brad Blanchard
David Breaux
James Bushnell

Rusty Cart
Paul Cormier
Mark Cutrera

Alan Darbonne
Rusty Debarge
Willie Donovan

Dietz Eastman
Quintin Guidry
Kevin Guillory

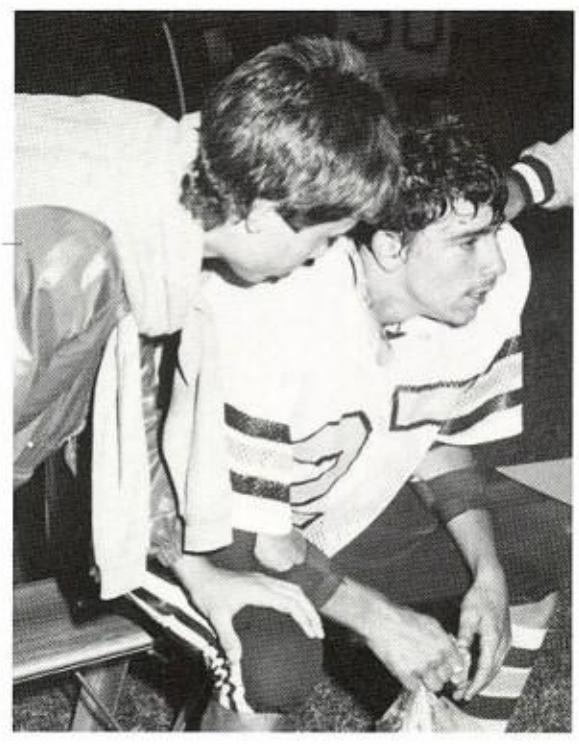
Patrick Harrington
Shane Higginbotham
Brian Johnson

Darrell McGee
Scott Myers
Lance Ogea

Gerald Trahan
Mark Wegener
Brian LeBleu

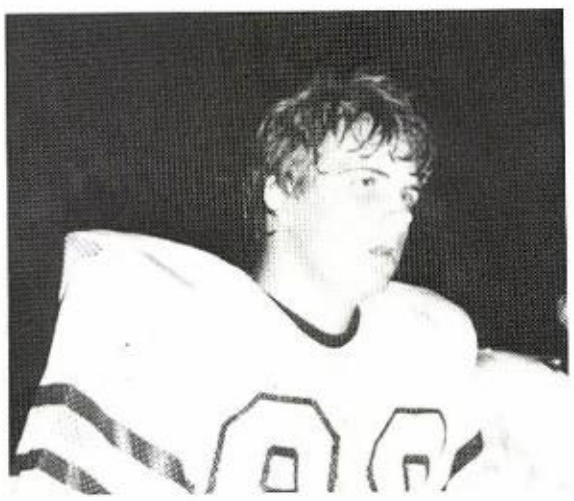
LEADING RUSHER. Paul Demarie carries the ball around an end with Sam Houston Broncos number 82, Todd Bolin and number 42, Dana Gilley in hot pursuit. Demarie, a sophomore, was named All-District and All-State. He also had many 100 plus yards per game this year with 206 rushing in one game.

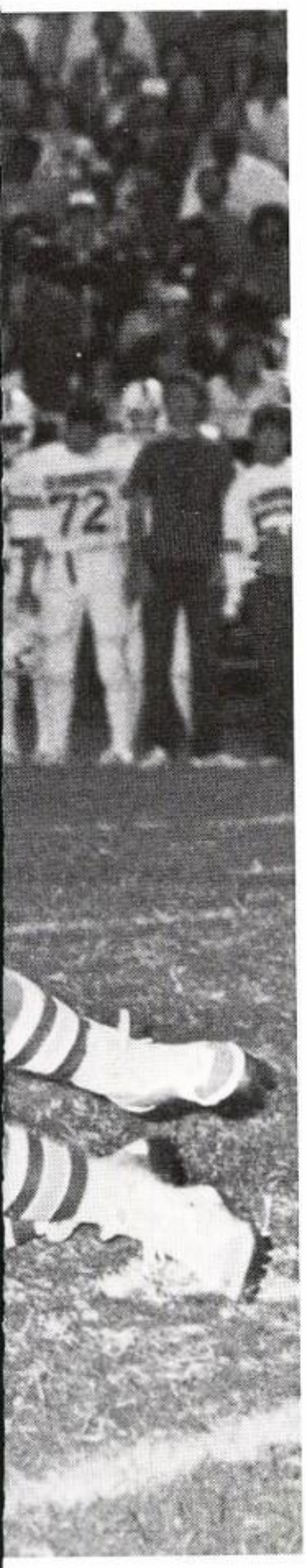
STAYING ON TOP OF THINGS. Senior, David Breaux follows the offensive plays closely until it is time for the defense to return to the field. David received All-District honors for defensive end. He proved to be a valuable asset to the Bucs in a muddy victory against LaGrange.



EXHAUSTED but not beaten, Pat Harrington, senior, receives comfort and pep from trainer Steve Mickey while resting during the Acadiana game.

ALL TIRED OUT. Rusty Hayes, junior, is exhausted as he listens closely to Coach Cespiva's offensive tips during the LaGrange game.





Pushing it . . .

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and the defense took to the field. Success. Barbe had one last shot. The offense took the ball and drove into the endzone with less than minute remaining.

Arch rival LaGrange Gators were slapped with seven unsportsman like conduct calls at the outset of the game. Barbe held the lead most of the way but couldn't put the Gators away. LaGrange hung tight but fell 21-20 after the Bucs snuffed out a last-ditch effort by the Gators.

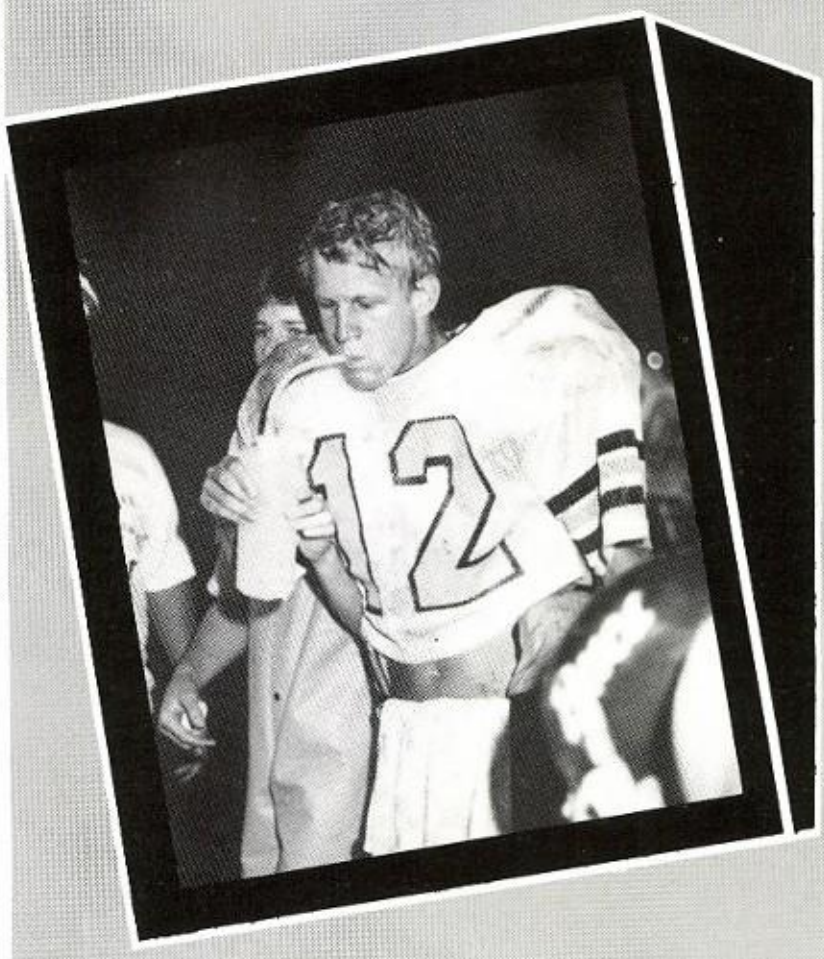
With two emotional victories the Bucs could have used some rest, but the Cougar rematch was set. Robert McCarty filled in for the injured David Monceaux at fullback. The Cougars broke out for a 7-0 lead, but Barbe wasn't dead yet. They rebounded in the second half and came up with a 13-7 win.

Barbe's rematch with Sulphur proved to be a classic defensive matchup as neither offense could get anything going all night. The determining points came when the Bucs punched in a short run and held the 7-0 score till the end.

With the victory over the Tors, Barbe clinched the district championship, so the final game should have been only a formality. It probably would have been if it had been against anyone except LaGrange. The game stretched on for four, humdrum quarters in a 13-13 tie. Going into overtime, the excitement finally began. The Bucs got the ball first, but failed to put the ball over the line. Luckily, the Gators couldn't put it in the endzone either. The second overtime was an instant replay. The third proved to be a charm, and the Bucs strutted off the field. — CART

BUCS ON TOP. Juniors David Linscomb, number 54 and David Monceaux, number 34 and senior Lance Ogea, number 65 are entangled in a pile of Jennings players. Monceaux is stopped by number 40 Kendall LeGeune. (Lake Charles American Press Photo.)

"We did so good because we knew that no one thought we could and we had to prove to them and ourselves — DIETZ EASTMAN"



SCORECARD

Barbe	34	13	Payne
Barbe	27	7	St. Louis
Barbe	30	0	Sam Houston
Barbe	23	0	Jennings
Barbe	6	7	L.C.B.
Barbe	21	20	Sulphur
Barbe	21	20	LaGrange
Barbe	13	7	L.C.B.
Barbe	7	0	Sulphur
Barbe	19	13	LaGrange
Barbe	43	14	St. Amant
Barbe	16	8	Acadiana
Barbe	7	36	Neville

Overall Record 11-2

Pushing It . . .

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With the regular season over, 9-1, Bucs stayed at home to take on St. Amant of Gonzales. Dietz Eastman passed for a season high 140 yards. The Blue and White scored on their first four possessions, to take the game away 43-14.

In the second round, the Bucs were underdogs as they traveled to Lafayette to take on the fifth-ranked Lions of Acadiana. Behind impressive running and tough defense the Bucs exploded for a 16-8 victory.

The win over Acadiana put the Bucs in the quarterfinals against the number one ranked team in the state, Neville. The season was on the line for the Bucs as they walked into Cowboy Stadium in front of 15,000 fans. Barbe came out firing holding Neville on its first possession and then surprising the entire stadium when they put the ball over the line to take a 7-0 lead. But Neville proved their ranking as they held the Bucs the rest of the game and ran up 36 of their own points.

A sad but proud team walked off the field that night. Something of an air of relief seemed to surround the players. The team that wasn't supposed to win had outlived even the boys' expectations. The season was over, but the feeling of accomplishment would be never ending. They had pushed it to the limit. — CART

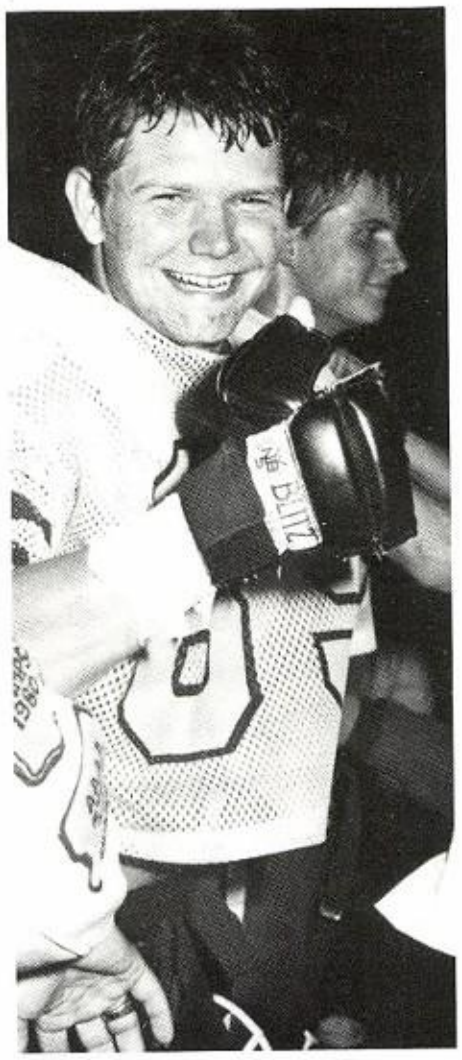
COACHING STAFF: Joseph Crawford, secondary coach; Ronnie Odom, receivers coach, Jimmy Shaver, head coach and offensive backs; Kirby Bruchhaus, defensive line coach; Henry Combs, linebackers coach; Wayne Cespiva, offensive line coach.

ALL WORN OUT. Junior Bobby Welborn (35) and seniors Rusty Debarge (26), Allen Darbonne (40) and Shane Higginbotham (37), regain strength on the bench.

SQUEEZING THROUGH. Junior David Monceaux (34) slips through a hole with help from Lance Ogea (65) during the Sam Houston game at LaGrange Stadium. (Lake Charles American Press Photo)

MOVIN' IT. Senior Paul Cormier breaks for a long gain during a 27-7 victory over St. Louis High School at Lake Charles High Stadium. (Lake Charles American Press Photo)

GETTING POINTERS. While the defense is on the field, Coach Cespiva gives instructions to Mark Cutrera during the LaGrange game.



THUMBS UP. Senior Lance Ogea celebrates after the victory over St. Louis at Lake Charles' High Stadium.

J V and Freshman

Building on a Winning Tradition

Do you ever wonder where all those varsity football players come from? No, they don't just appear on the fifty-yard line. Usually they've been toiling on the junior varsity and freshman teams for the past two years.

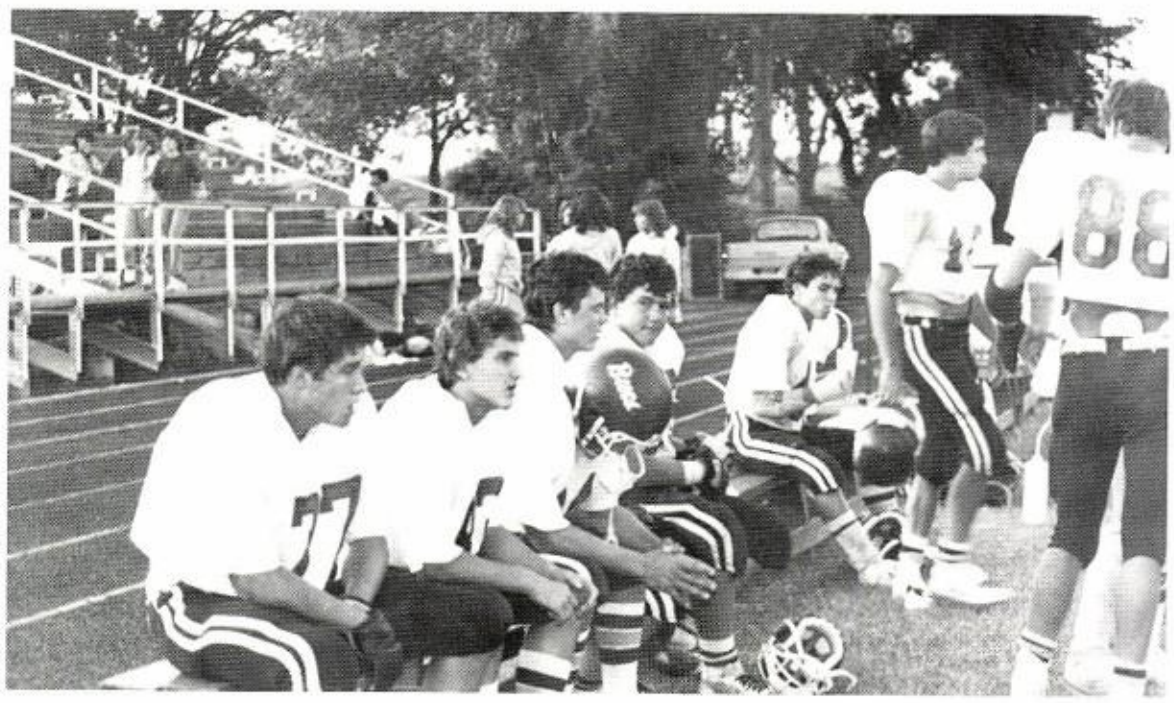
As J.V. and freshman players learn the basics of the game by being the "dummy squads." These squads are who the upperclassmen tackle during drills. "It's not that bad because when we're seniors we'll be able to gang up on the underclassmen, too," grinned freshman Faron Owen.

The junior varsity finished the season with an impressive 9-2 record. "Our J.V. can hold their heads high because of the supreme effort they gave over the past season," commented Coach Cespiva.

For the freshman, the drills, agilities, and games are just starting. As they continually and understanding of the game will also mature. With an overall record of 1-4 there wasn't much cause for celebration. But during the freshman season it's not how many times they won and lost but how they developed and what skills they mastered. "The freshmen have three more seasons to develop into a winning football team. I'm sure that if they take every season with as much enthusiasm as they spent on this one we're bound to end up on top," remarked Cespiva.

"The J.V. and freshman teams may not have had as many flashes of brilliance as the varsity. And, they may not have been a little less disciplined than the varsity. They may not have won as many games as the older squad. But they were definitely taking the right steps to building that winning tradition.

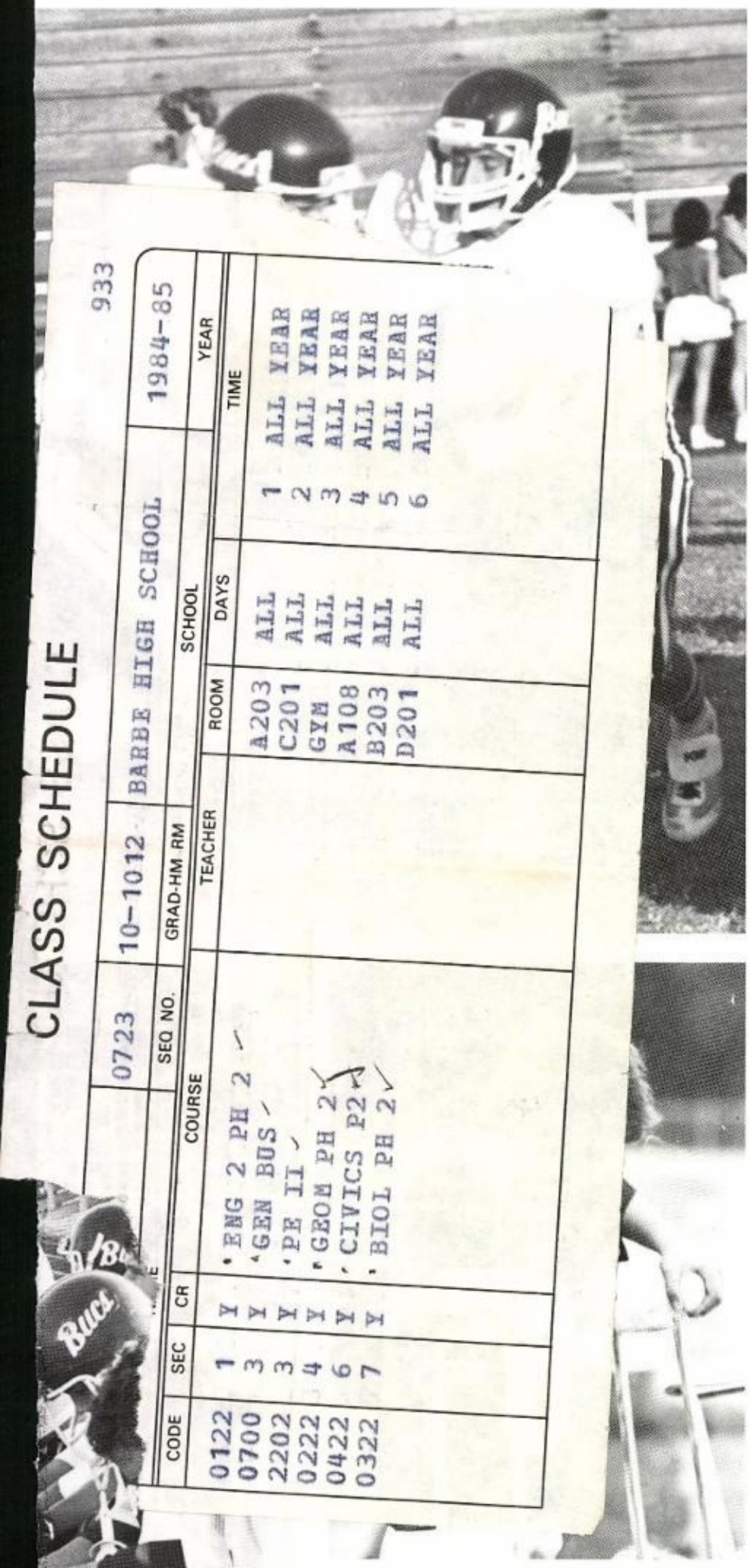
CHARGING IN. Mark Roy, 21, takes a handoff from Doug Burguieres, 10, and gains ground in a game against Lake Charles High at LaGrange.



TAKING A BREAK. Rusty Hayes, junior, and Keenan Glover, sophomore, and others get a breather from a J.V. game at LaGrange.

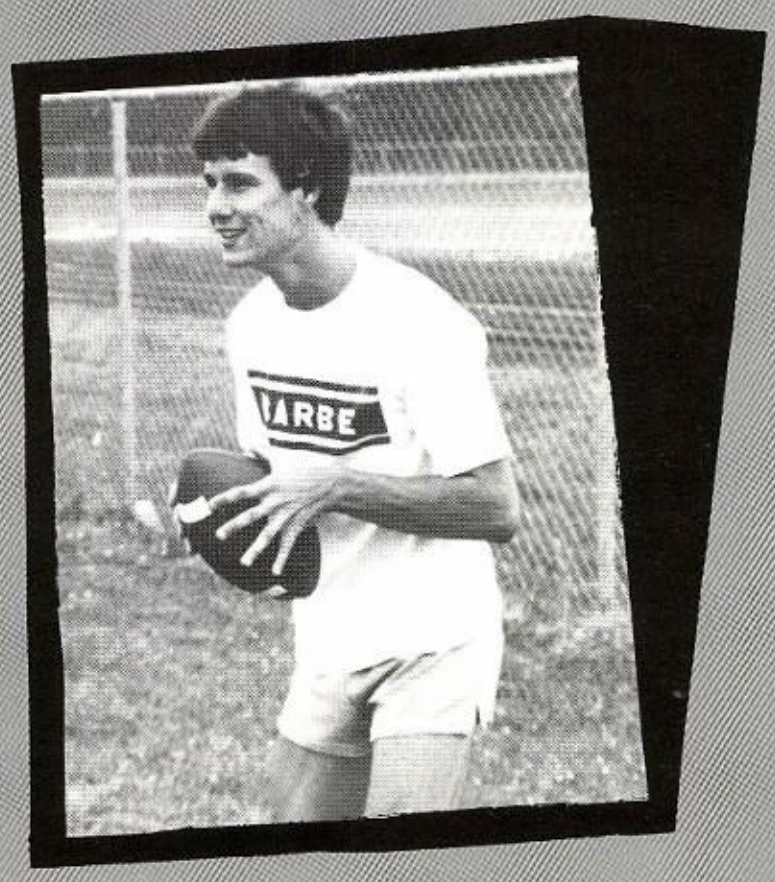
TOUGH GAME. Defensive linemen John Ogea, 77, Steven Richard, 83, Damon Cryer, 66, and Ken Douglas, 76, rest during offensive play in a game against Lake Charles High at LaGrange.

Football



ALL CRUTCHED UP. John Feucht watches the LaGrange game from the sidelines after suffering from a knee injury.

"After hours of hard work and a lot of time, our determination paid off. — DOUG BURGUIERES



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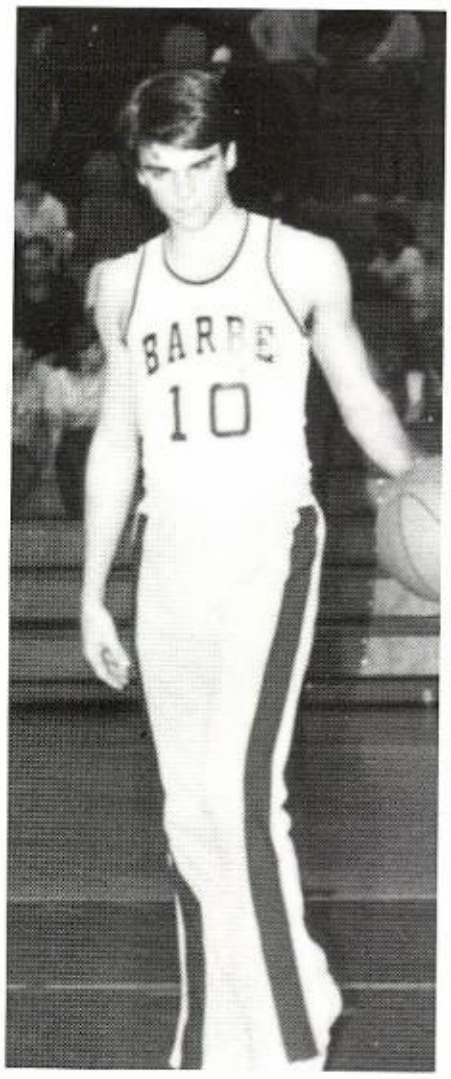
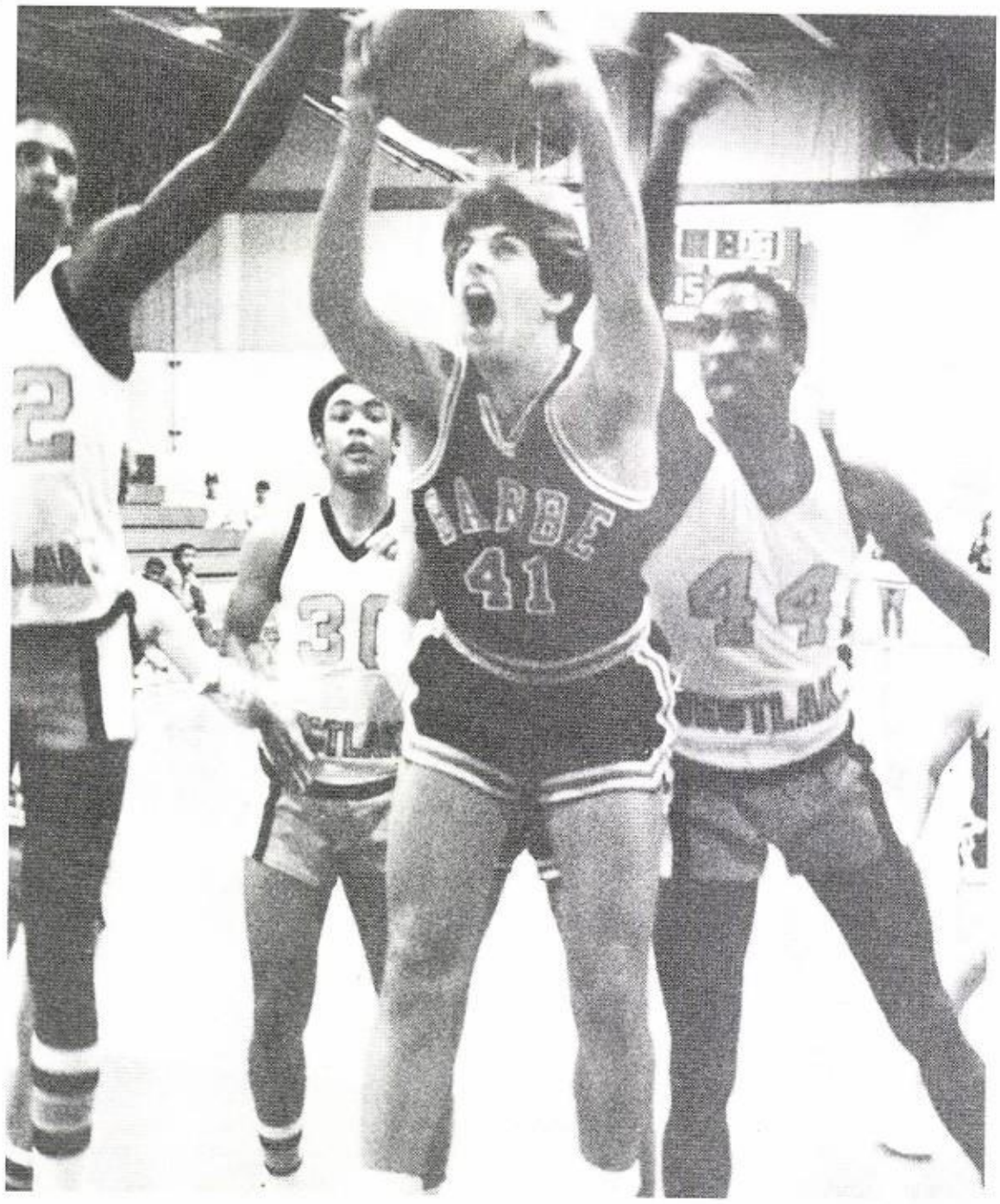
Freshman Record 1-4

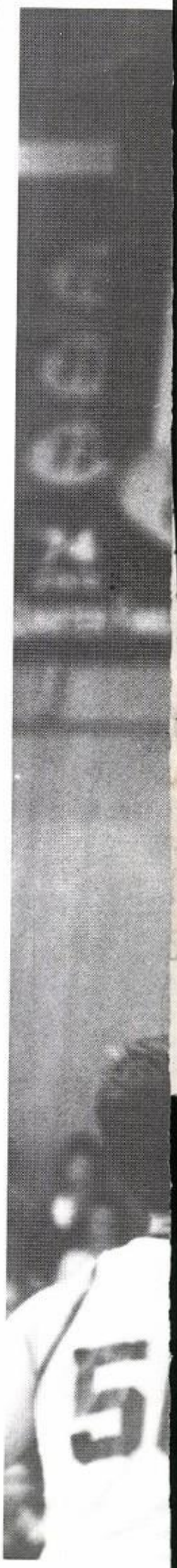
Varsity basketball



OFF IN SPACE. Tom Moore, senior, does some pre-game thinking about the upcoming game against Oakdale. The Bucs went on to defeat them 54-25.

KEEP AWAY. Bill Riviere, 41, grabs the rebound from Ron Thomas, 52, and Otto Johnson, 44. It was a smashing 53-19 victory. (American Press photo.)





Shots in the Dark

Rang Out Through the Gym as the Bucs Entered the Playoffs

For the second season in a row the Barbe basketball team continued a new tradition by being picked to win district.

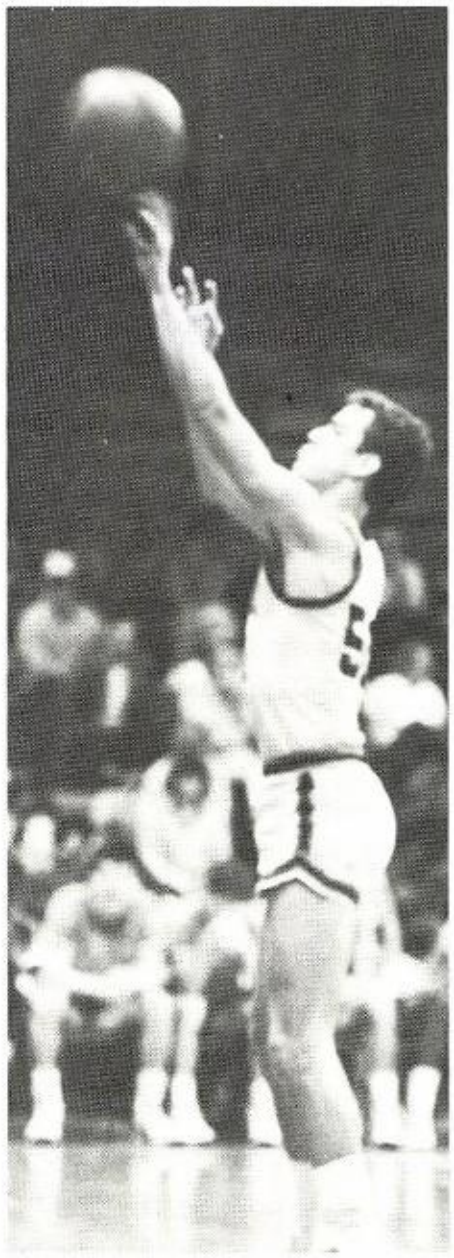
At practices, the players sometimes resembled the football team as they went through agilities and weight training. "We complained about having to practice so much, but at the end of the season when we looked back, we realized that we needed to practice to be as good as we were," affirmed "Mr. Basketball" Bill Riviere.

The countless practices were put to the test, as they faced the Oakdale Warriors. They proved to be no match, as the strong, faster Bucs ran away with 50-25 decision. The Bucs capped off a great November by taking third in the Westlake Holiday Tournament. Their only loss being to state finalist East Beauregard in the semifinals.

Barbe took home the trophy at the prestigious Negreet Tournament, and whipped the previously unbeaten Woodlawn along the way. "After that tournament, our morales were boosted 100% because it is considered one of the better tournaments in the state," informed Jack Aumiller.

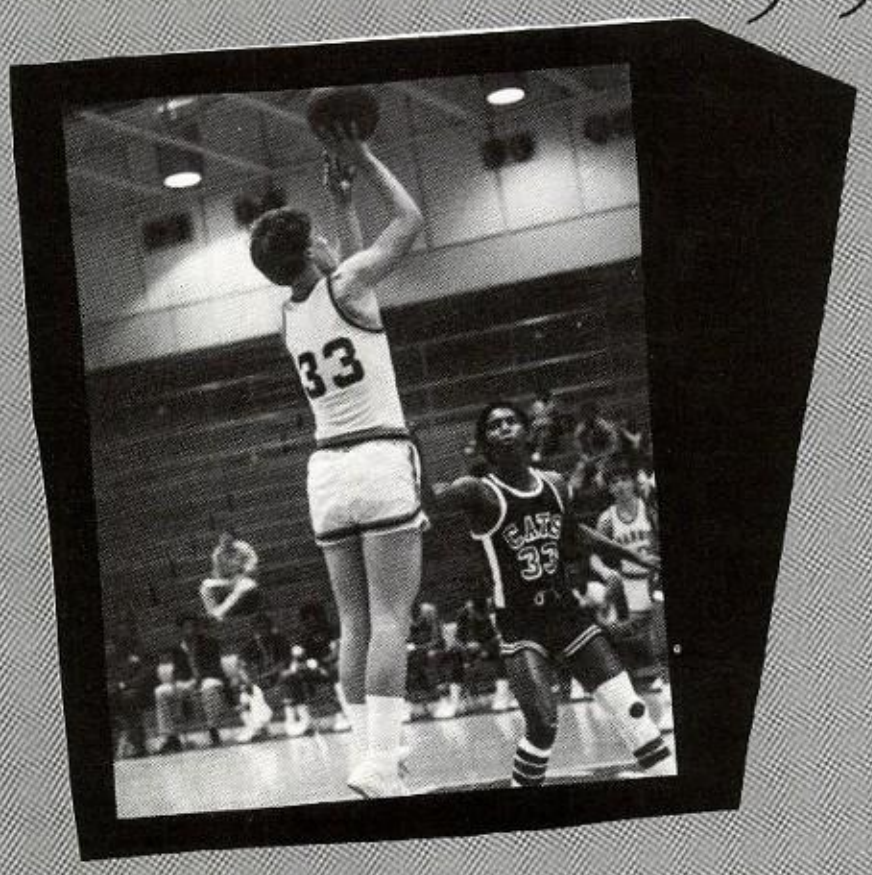
Confidently, the Bucs entered their first district game, thinking it only a formality.

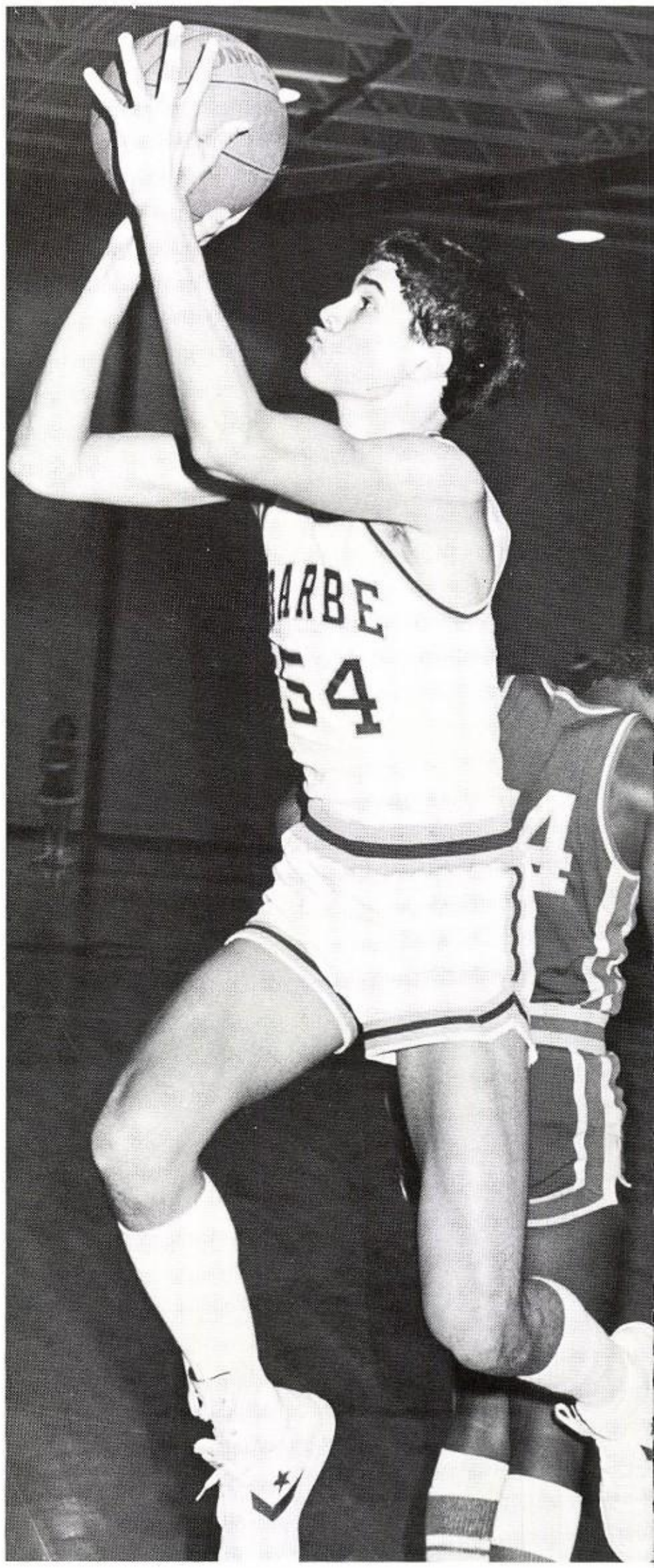
A TIP OF THE FINGER. Jack Aumiller, 22, shoots the ball against La Grange's block at the district playoffs. The Gators were defeated 63-55. (Photo by Alton Puckett)



ON YOUR TOES. Will Nassar, 50, stretches to make his freethrows, adding two points against the Gators. (Photo by Alton Puckett)

"This season we really worked and it paid off. District started off slow, but we really got it rolling. It was a long season. — DOUG COCHRAN"





SCORECARD

WON

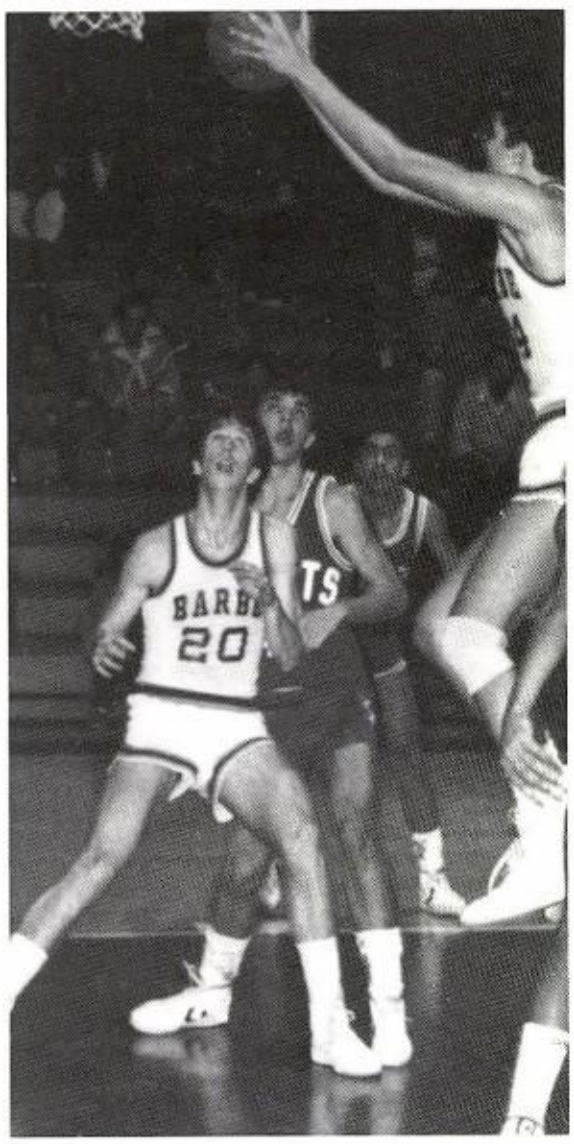
Oakdale	50	25	St. Louis	58	44
L. Arthur	61	28	Ruston	77	67
Welsh	41	38	Clouterville	39	36
LCB	61	53	Negrett	58	29
S. Beau.	46	17	Woodlawn	66	65
Lacassine	69	51	Ruston	64	48
DeQuincy	54	46	Oakdale	62	27
Westlake	53	19	Lag.	58	52
L. Beau	43	33	Sulphur	73	58
Welsh 66	38	LC	66	46	
Iowa	62	44	LaG	63	55
Iowa	62	35	LCB	79	46
Dequincy	50	43	Sulphur	69	60
Ruston	55	53			

LOST

Pineville	44	55	Sulphur	35	36
St. Thomas	32	34	E. Beau.	39	45
DeRidder	37	43	LCB	57	63
LaG.	56	59			

Varsity basketball

PUCKERING UP. Greg Falcon, junior, gives it his all, almost runing over a LaGrange player, trying to make a goal. The tremendous effort put out by the Bucs helped them to defeat the Gators 58-52, on home territory. (Photo By American Press)



Shots (Cont. . . .)

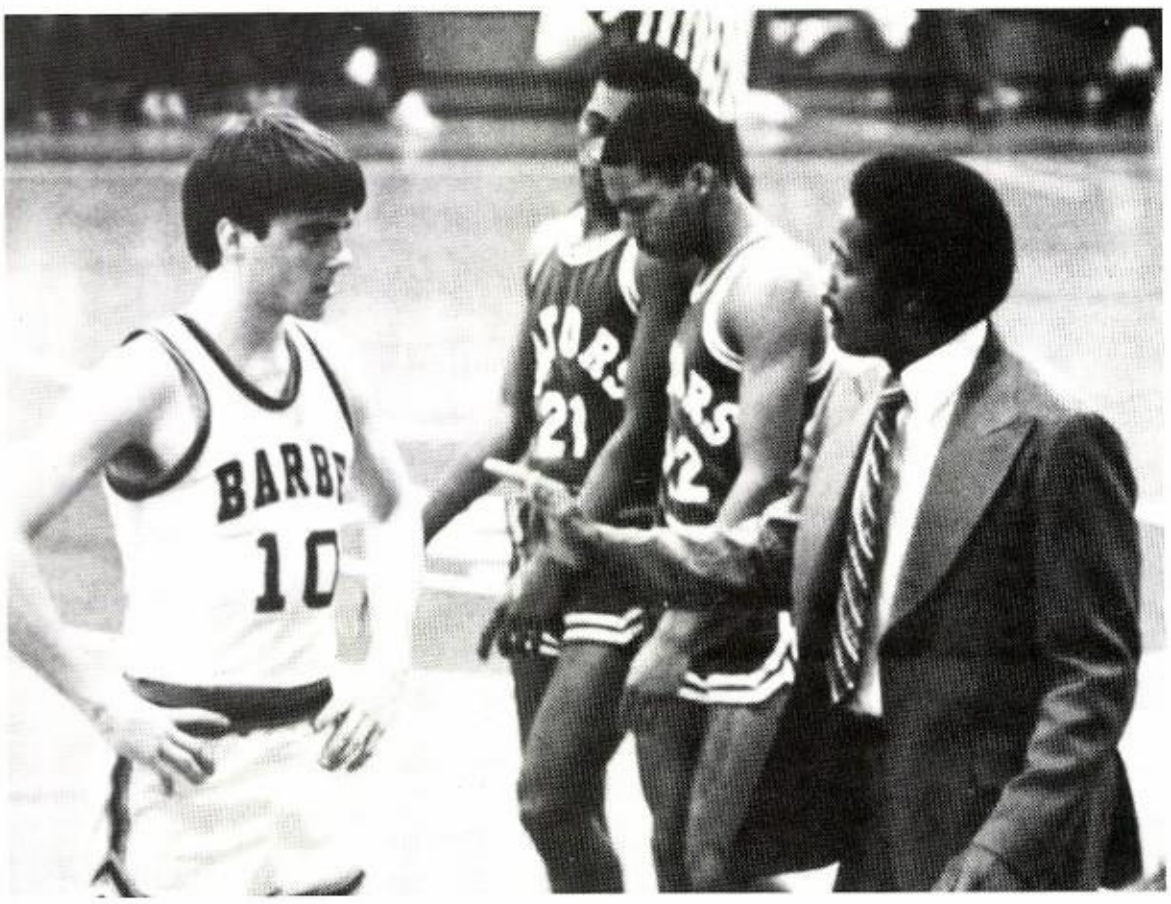
But to the surprise of everyone, the Bucs lost to LaGrange and it did not end there. This was the start of a three game slide and it almost ruined Barbe's playoff chances. "We were too confident going into district and we paid for it. It was a rude awakening, but it may have helped get us back on track," explained Coach Costillo.

And awaken them it did, the Bucs came back and won their last six district games and secured themselves a second place finish in district. In the first row of the playoffs, the Bucs traveled to take on the New Iberia Yellowjackets, only to fall 42-40 on a last second shot.

The season was over but the practice wasn't. Will Nassar and Greg Falcon took first team honors in district, and Doug Cochran got on the second team. Falcon was also named district MVP for the second season in a row.

Barbe's season ended on a sad note, but the 27-7 Bucs could not feel bad.

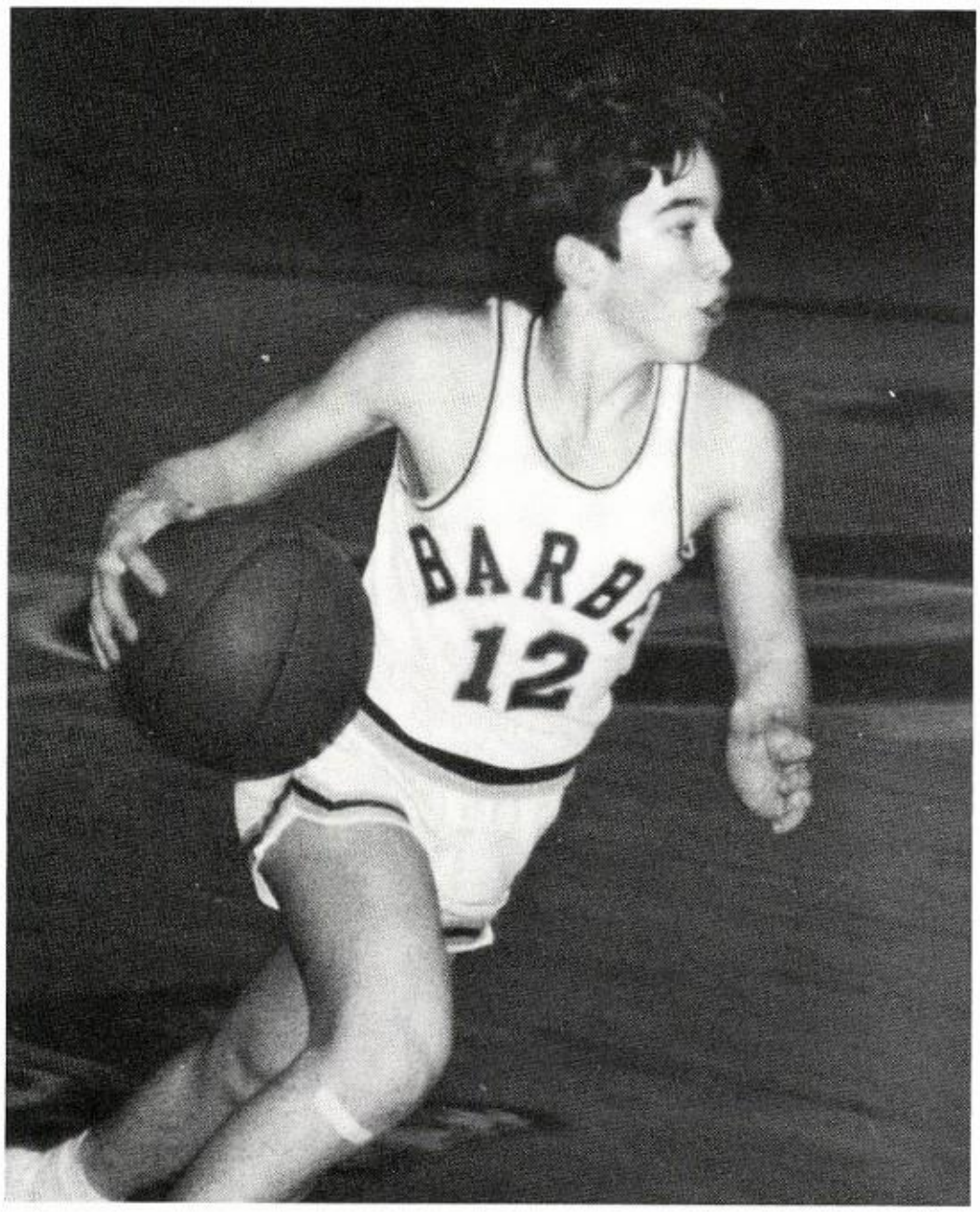
IN THE UPWARD SWING. Gregg Falcon lunges directly down the lane in hopes of two points. The Bucs crushed St. Louis, 58-44.

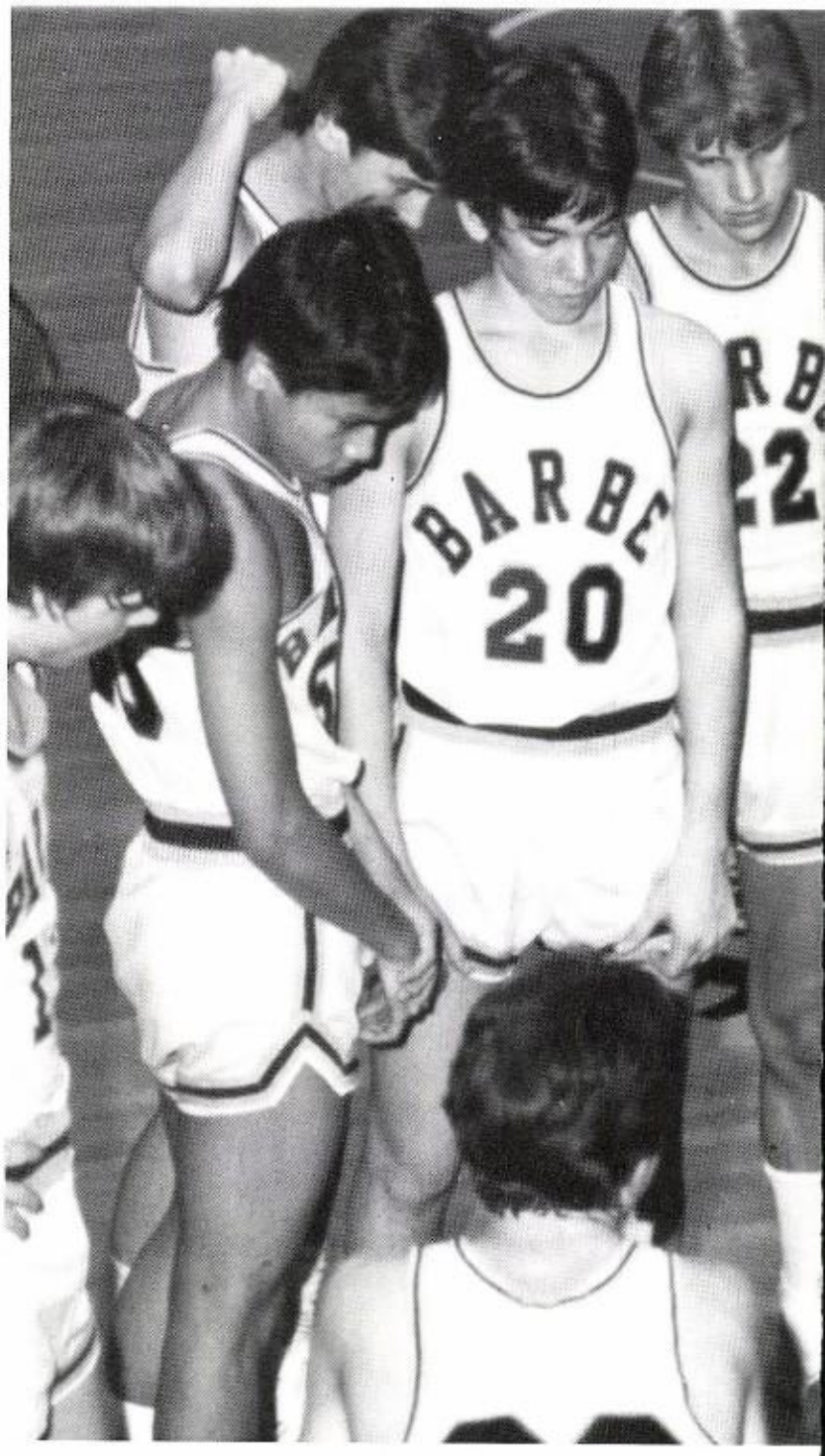


THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM. Coach Costillo calmly issues his orders at the begining of the game to the starting five. The Bucs must have heeded his directions well, because they defeated LCB, 66-46. (Photo by Alton Puckett)

POINTING IT OUT. Tom Moore, senior, gets reminded of one last thing by assistant basketball Coach, Henry Combs, during the LaGrange game at Sulphur. (Photo by Alton Puckett.)

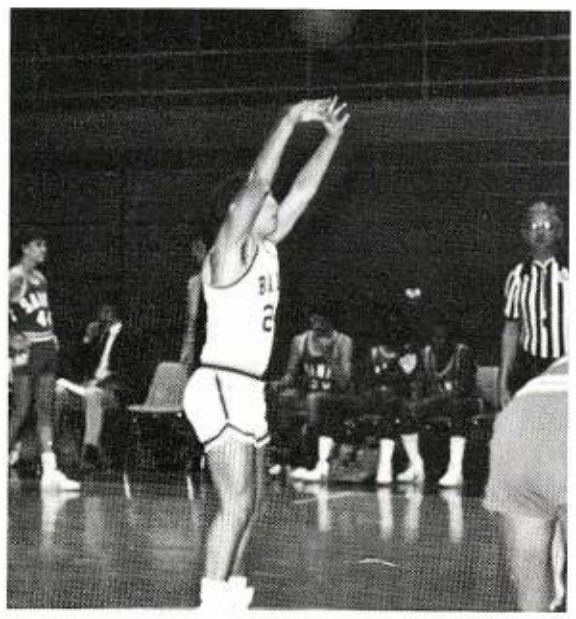
IN THE HUDDLE. Despite the pressure, Coach David Costillo keeps cool during some time-out instructions. The LCB game ended with a seat-gripping 64-62 win.



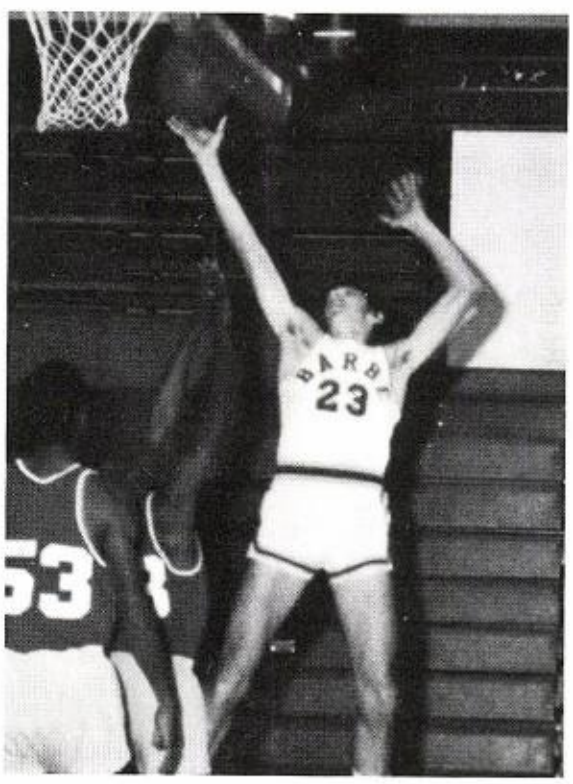


ROUND THE BEND. Mike Raichel, sophomore, goes in for a lay-up. LaGrange topped Barbe 35-34.

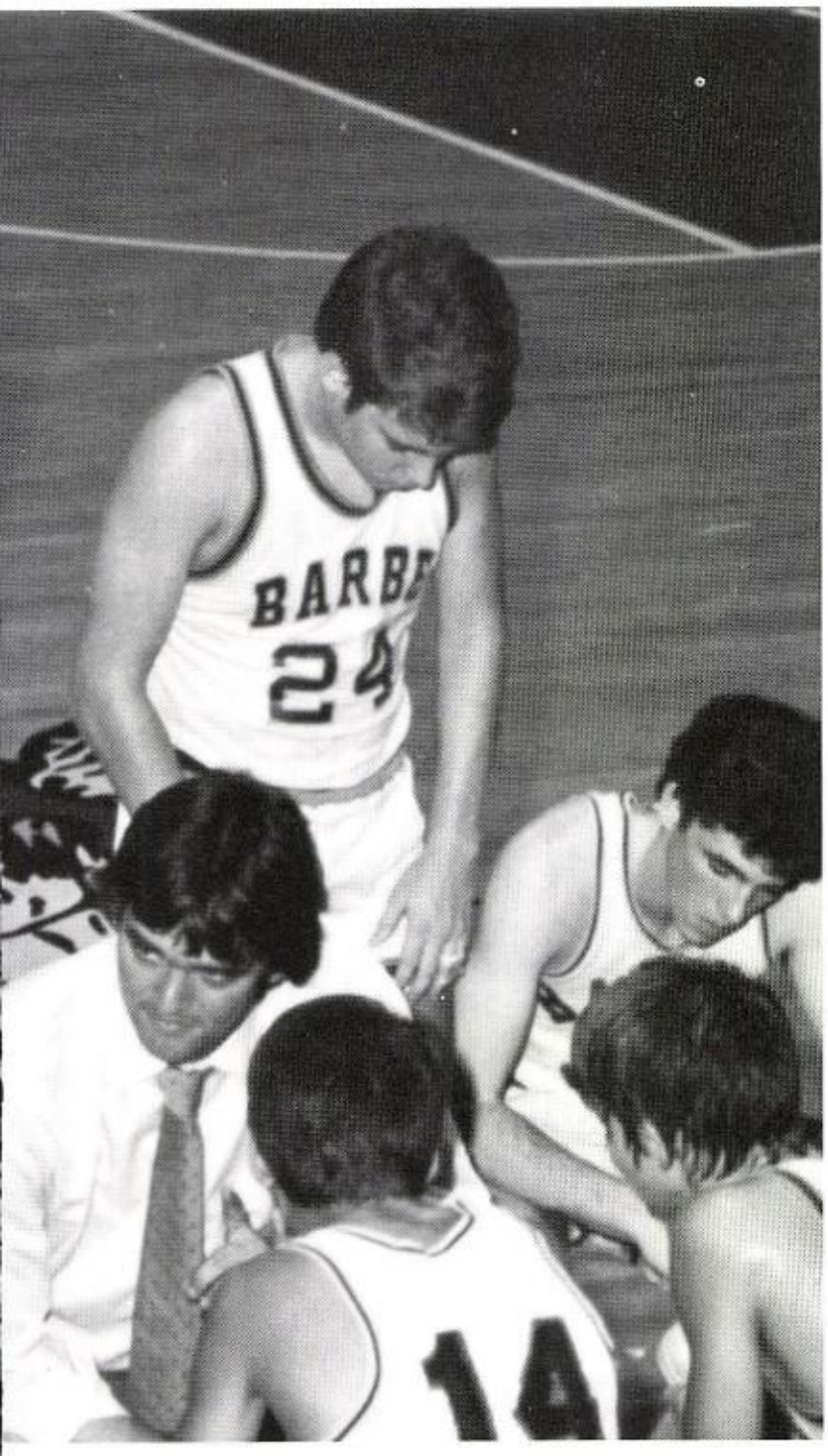
FREESHOT. Jamie Thibodeaux, 24, releases a good free throw, adding his mark in the 47-40 victory over St. Louis.

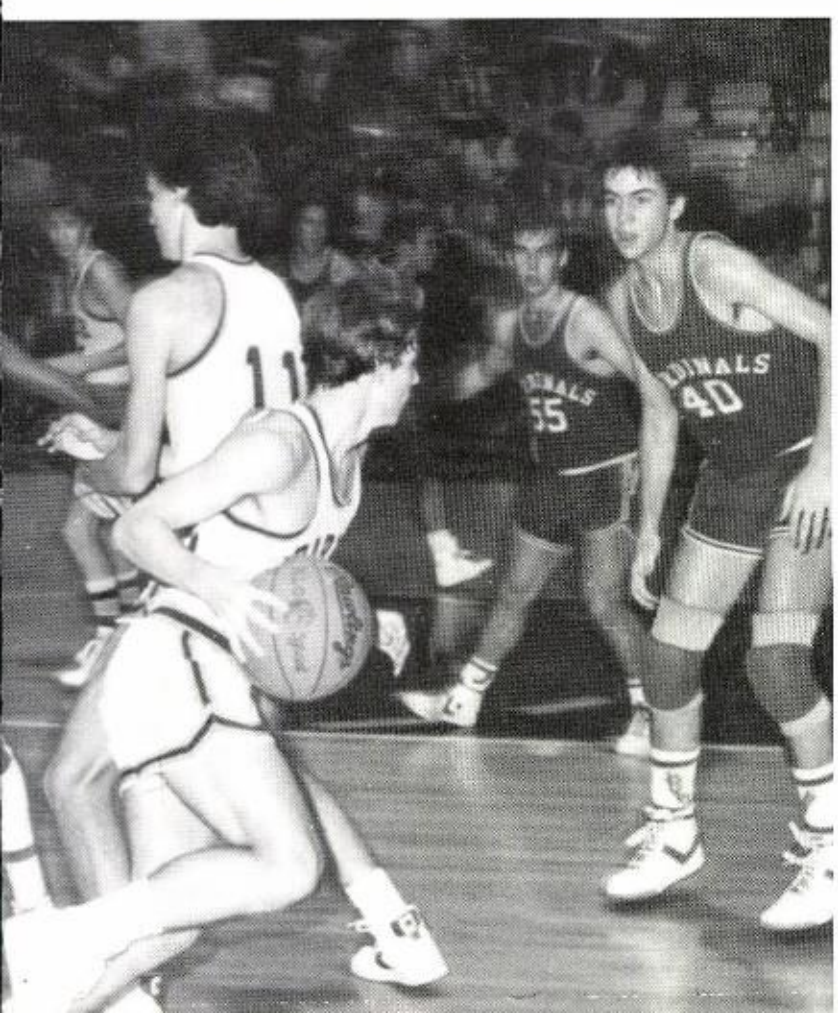


THE FINAL TOUCH. Tony Loney, sophomore, reaches far behind himself in order to make two points. Despite his efforts, Barbe lost to LaGrange 39-49.



JV & Freshman basketball





Next Big Thing

Their Time Will Come

While they weren't the biggest, the oldest, or the most recognized for their achievements, the junior varsity and freshman basketball teams did have something. They had determination, the stuff from which winning teams were made.

The JV team, although not varsity, were well on their way to being the best basketball players in the school. With a 8-6 record for the season, they amazed spectators with their coordination and togetherness on the court. "We play well most of the time," grinned sophomore Norman Davis.

One of the reasons for their success was the amount of time spent on practice. Mornings, class and afternoons were filled with the efforts of the team and their coach. Attendance to these workouts by the team was high, too. "If you miss practice and you don't have a good excuse," lamented sophomore Ricky Simms, "you run until you die." But, surprisingly, few grumbled. "You've got to work if you want to be good," commented Eric Roan. "Our coach is great. He works us hard, but it's worth it in the long run."

The freshman team started off a successful career with their 10-7 record for their first season at Barbe. These players were the ones who were going to establish themselves in the future as the varsity. "We played well this season and the future looks bright," claimed Chris Brown. They, too, busied themselves with practice in an effort to constantly improve. "The practice is tough, but we get better from it," said Tommy LeBlanc. While not anything special to those who weren't highly interested, they will be heard from in the future.

"Practice makes perfect" is the law these teams live by.

UNDERGUARD. Matt Wallace, junior, takes the ball in for a lay-up as Eric Roan, junior, protects him. Matt's two points helped the Bucs defeat Lacassine 31-30.

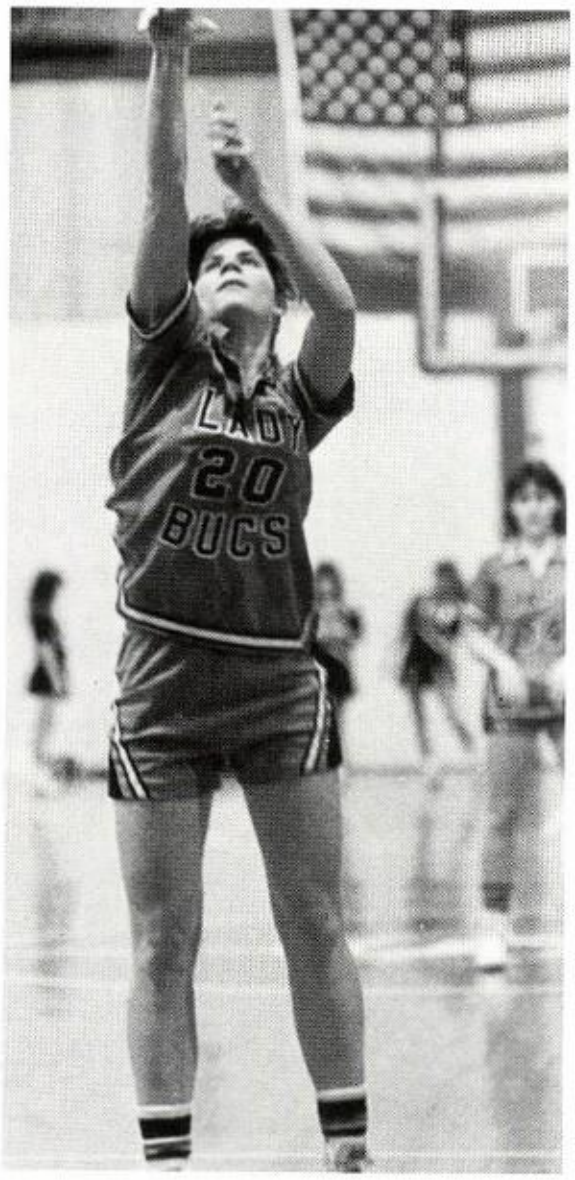
SCORECARD

Freshman

	B	OPP.
Westlake	26	19
Sulphur	36	27
St. Louis	42	23
Wash.	45	55
LCB	46	44
LaG.	31	32
Sulphur	41	28
Westlake	29	42
St. Louis	54	39
Westlake	37	22
LCB	50	54
Wash.	48	66
Jennings	44	24
LaG.	30	51
LCB	48	60
Jennings	42	24
Sulphur	20	33

JV

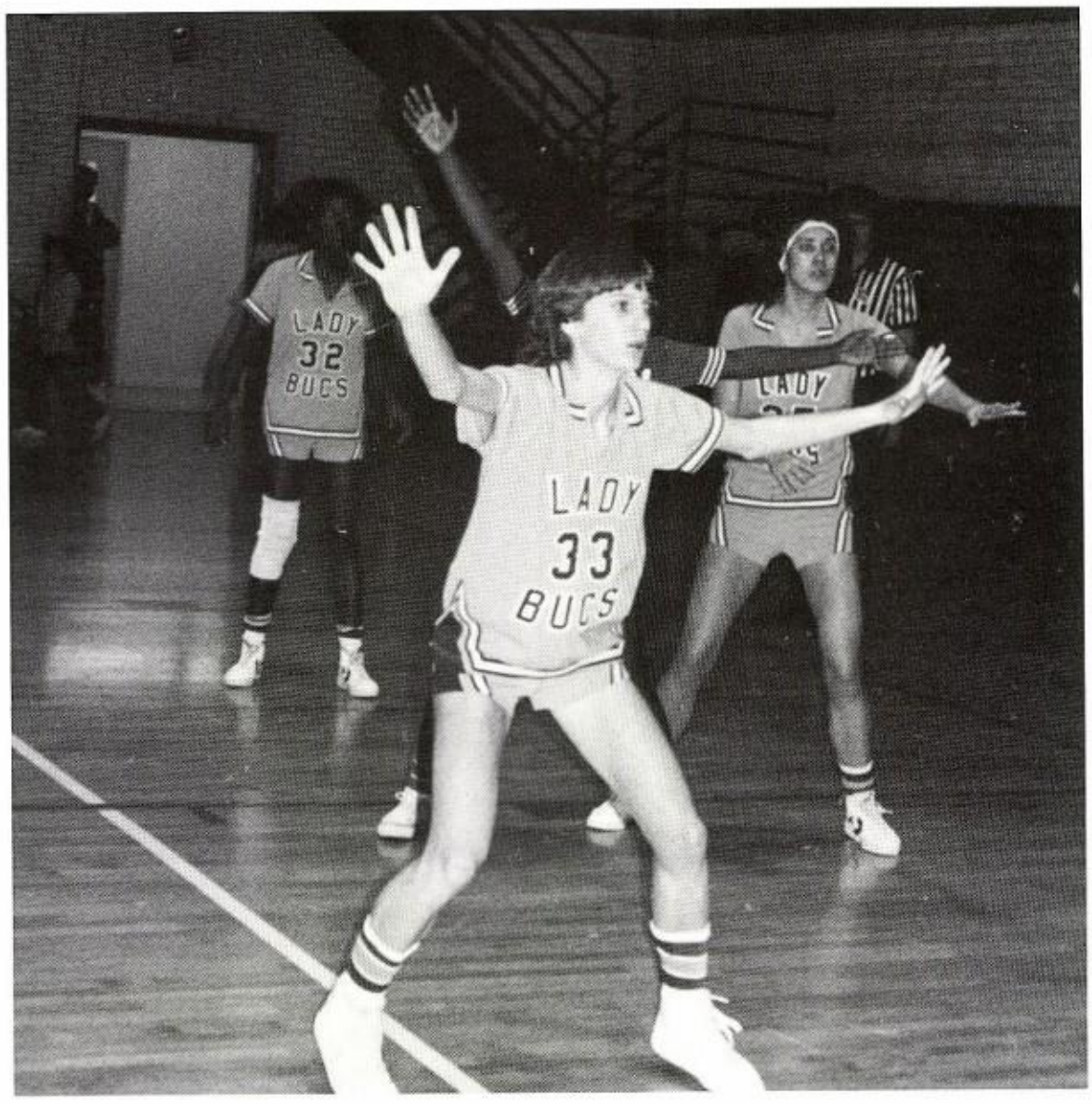
Vinton	41	29
Oakdale	47	28
S. Beau.	51	28
Lacassine	31	30
DeQuincy	40	39
Iowa	37	13
St. Louis	47	40
Oakdale	42	22
LaG.	32	49
Sulphur	34	48
LCB	60	64
LaG.	39	49
Sulphur	39	41
LCB	50	48
LaG.	34	35
LCB	64	62
Sulphur	32	39



PERFECT FORM. Pam Dixon, senior, sinks her freethrows with practiced skill. The Lady Bucs defeated the Westlake Rams, 38-24. (Photo by Alton Puckett)

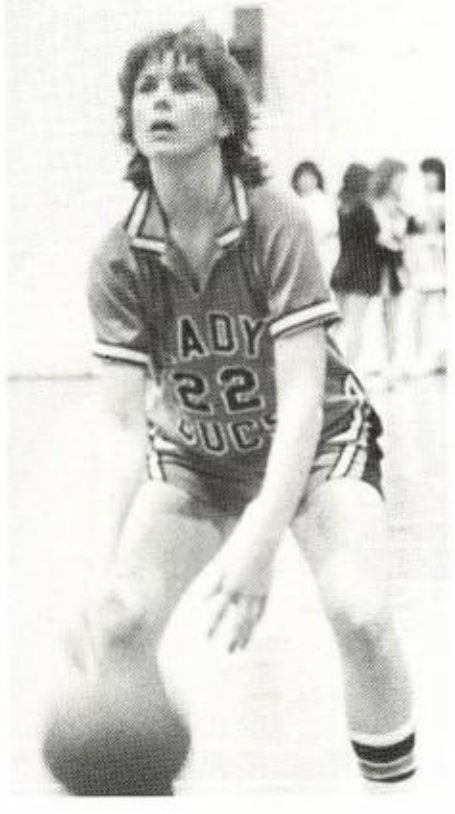
IN A ROW. Stacy Edwards and Nancy Linscomb, freshmen, discuss the JV game as Fuse explains the next plays. (Photo by Pat Odom)

Girls basketball



EN-GARDE. Chris Gandy, sophomore, tries to block the goal and steal the ball from a LaGrange player. Her efforts helped the Bucs defeat LaGrange, 50-32. (Photo by Pat Odom)

SHEER CONCENTRATION. Jill Welborn, freshman, helps to secure the Buc lead with her perfect freethrows. (Photo by Alton Puckett)



No Payoffs in Playoffs

Girls Basketball Suffers Internal Problems

The season wasn't a rosy one for the Lady Bucs. Although each player had talent, the team couldn't hack it as a whole. The team could boast of its three All-District players: Pam Dixon, Anjeanette Leger, and Rhonda LeJeune. Even with these valuable players, the team was not able to beat or even regain their second place finish in district from last year, ending up the season in third place.

Rhonda LeJeune was pretty sure about the reason behind the disappointing finish. "We had the talent, the ability to make first place, but we could never work together effectively. We were playing as individuals, not as a team. That fact weakened us the most. We all had particular talents but since we didn't utilize them and make everyone work together, it was as if everyone was playing one on one."

Coach Ronnie Odom wasn't eager to talk about the team. "I was disappointed in the girls' performance this season. They wouldn't work well together and that made a lot of difference. I don't have any additional comment," said Coach Odom, and then added, "I was also deeply disappointed in the attendance at the games and the fact that the newspaper never had any write-ups on the team's progress all season. Maybe student interest would have improved the team's over-all performance. Maybe not."

The Lady Bucs played a total of twenty-seven games and ended the season with a record of 14-13. They had their troubles at the beginning of the season, but were able to turn around in time for the district games. (Continued . . . page 104)

UPSY DAISY. Samatra Hill, #32, shoots for two as Chris Gandy, #33, waits for a possible rebound. Samatra's jump shot helped smash LaGrange with a 45-30 win. (Photo by Alton Puckett.)

Girls basketball

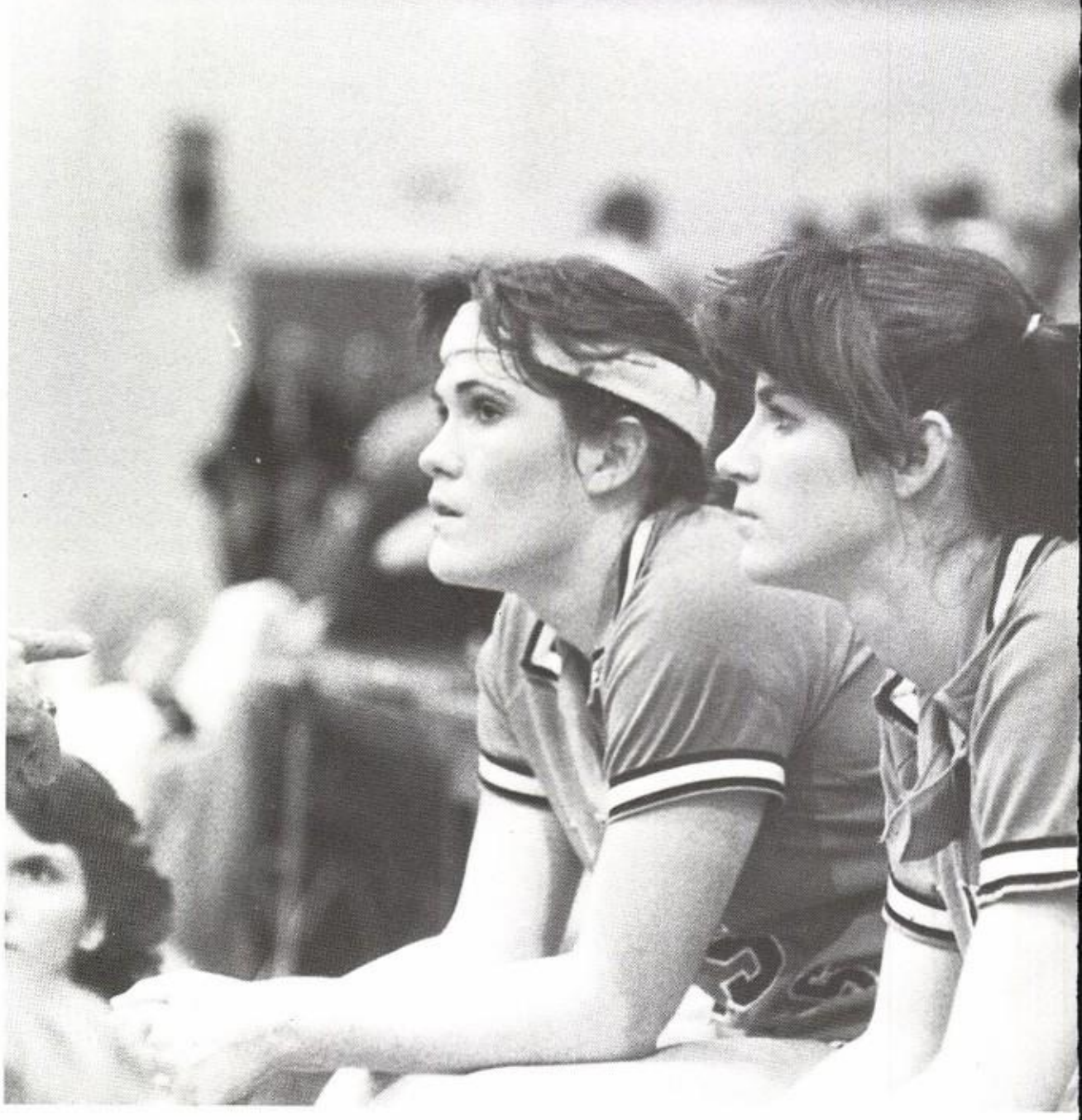
No Payoff (Cont. . . .)

Anjeanette Leger was able to explain the changes for the better. "We had our troubles at the beginning of the year. Misunderstandings. Coach Odom was getting frustrated. But we started working together and started winning games. We had no trouble beating DeQuincy, Westlake, Iowa, or Washington-Marion. I think we went farther than anyone expected. We couldn't beat everyone though. Lacassine killed us. They had a good team because they start basketball in grade school there. Not everyone on our team has. I started when I was in fourth grade so I had a few more years of experience."

The team's performance was lack-luster at the season's beginning, but as tensions on the team eased up, they grew more relaxed and started winning games. When the district games rolled around, the Lady Bucs were prepared for the competition. When it came to defeating LaGrange, they suffered no setbacks. They won one game with Sulphur, 46-44, but lost two others to the Tors. They beat Lake Charles-Boston in two games, but lost in the playoffs for second place, 54-57.

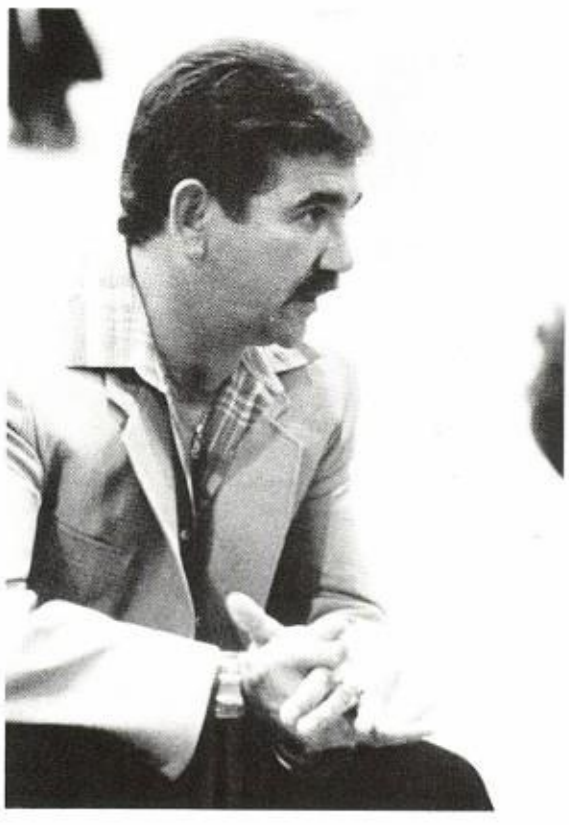
Nevertheless the team managed to corner third in district. They had suffered their own problems along with having to deal with the strategies of their oppoents. Though unable to stand proud with first place, they could still hold their heads high because they had conquered their worst enemy — themselves.

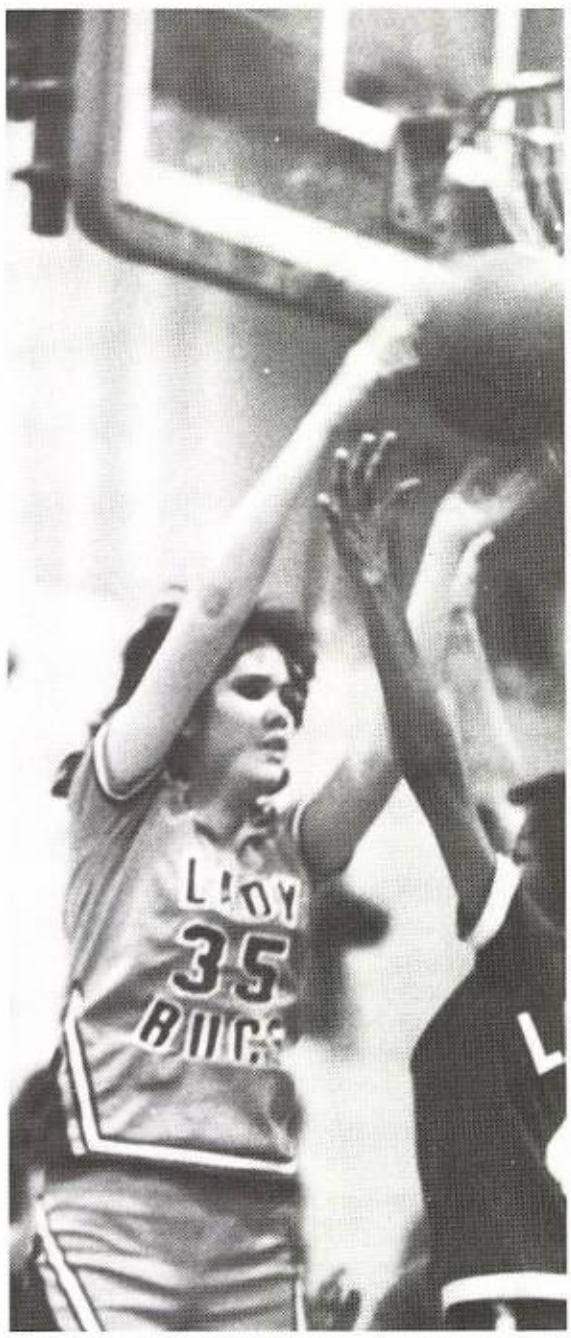
ON THE BENCH. Coach Ronnie Odom and some of the J.V. players watch as the varsity girls stomp LCB, 50-28.



TIME OUT. Rhonda LuJeune and Pam Dixon, seniors, get some last minute instructions before the whistle blows during a time-out in the LaGrange game at Sulphur.

THE BOSS. Coach Ronnie Odom drills the last minute changes in the heads of his girls before the Sulphur game. The changes helped as the Bucs whipped the Tors, 46-44.





TALL TROUBLE. Angie Brignack, junior, causes problems for a LaGrange player trying to steal the ball. Barbe stomped the Gators 35-25.

"I have been playing since I was real young and I came to love basketball. I give it all I've got but I also receive a lot of satisfaction."

SCORECARD

WON			LOST		
Mathaway	54	43	Oakdale	28	49
DeQuincy	61	8	Lacassine	28	49
Westlake	38	24	Pitkin	35	54
Wash.	42	40	Lacassine	59	33
DeQuincy	31	1	LCB	22	44
Iowa	47	35	Sam Houston	34	39
Welsh	44	31	Kuston	32	49
Orangefield	42	28	E. Beau.	30	50
St. Louis	52	13	Oakdale	24	41
LaG.	35	25	Sulphur	28	35
LaG.	50	32	LCB	33	46
LCB	50	45	Sulphur	33	46
LaG.	45	30	LCB	54	57
LCB	50	28			
Sulphur	46	44			

Volleyball

Up, Up, and Away

With Lady Buc Spirits as Team Caps District

Late in August, before anyone had started talking about football, the Lady Buc volleyball team was quietly impressing people from one end of the state to the other.

Throughout the season the team dominated their opponents, allowing only a few to gain the upper hand in a match.

The Lady Bucs played a match as a complete team, not letting only one player stand in the spotlight. Senior co-captain Edan Driscoll added, "When one of us gets hurt there is always someone else there who can take their place."

The Lady Bucs swept through the district tournament without losing a match to their opponents. "It all fell into place," said Coach Fuselier. "After the kind of season we had, the tournament was a great ending."

But it wasn't the end. The team went on to defeat Abramson of New Orleans in state playoffs but fell in the second round to South Terrebonne. "The New Orleans area teams were the toughest because of the talent they have to choose from and their experience." explained Linda Gary, captain.

Volleyball is not exactly what Barbe is noted for, but after their season it will be mentioned more than once. — CART

A MOMENT OF SILENCE. The team began each game with a prayer that each girl would do her best and no one would be injured.

MOCK SURPRISE. Stacie Allen, sophomore, momentarily waits to see which direction the ball will come down.

A POINT ACROSS. Coach Fuselier sends silent signals to Edan Driscoll at the LCB district tournament. The Lady Bucs took first in district and went on to state.

FAR OUT. Lisa Comeaux, junior, reaches to the limit to serve the ball.

"It made me feel good being named MVP. It reflects how good our team was. Without other good players, I couldn't have won. — LINDA GARY"

SCORECARD

Overall record — Var. 26-5, J.V. 15-0

DISTRICT SCORES

LaGrange	*15-0*	*15-1*
LC-B	*15-2*	*15-2*
LC-B	*15-7*	*15-8*

Placed 7th in State

Linda Gary was named 4-AAAA MVP

1st TEAM ALL DISTRICT — Linda Gary, Jenet Manuel, Amanda Harrington and Stacie Allen

2nd TEAM DISTRICT — Edan Drisco and Anjeannette Leger

Baseball

Darn Well Worth It

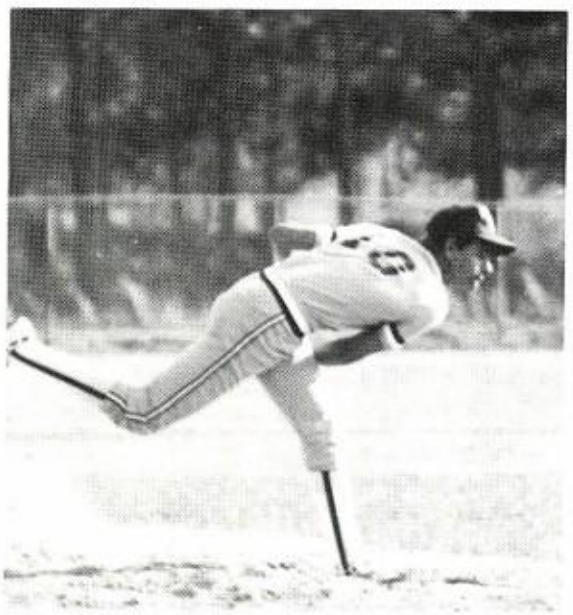
The baseball team at Barbe wasn't expected to throw a pitch or get a single hit when school started in August. Parish baseball teams had presumably been sent to the showers by the School Board. But through the support of the baseball players and area businesses, money was raised and donated and the team took to the practice field on January 7 in preparation for their first game, on February 25, against St. Louis.

The boys worked hard during the spring to mesh themselves into a well-trained machine for opening day. "We took it day by day, starting with the basics and building up from there," explained district first team player Tommy Smith.

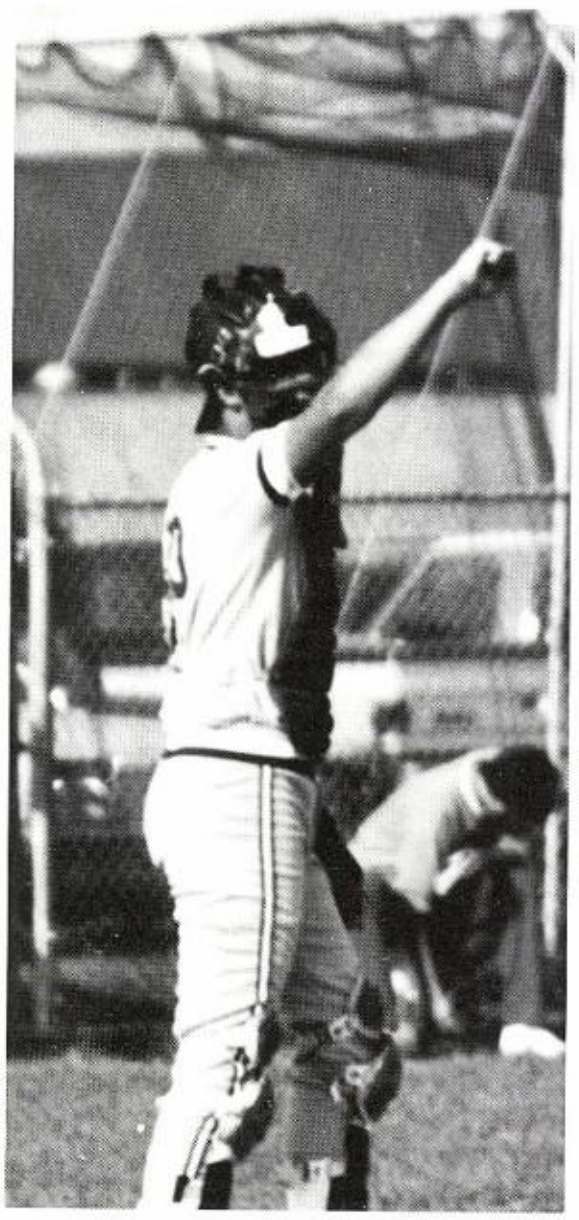
Though the season overall was discouraging, the Bucs kept the games interesting. Barbe lost several games that could have gone either way including a 3-2 decision to LaGrange.

Tony Stephens, a teacher at S. J. Welsh, was enlisted to coach the Bucs. Coming in a bit of a rush, the assignemnt was unexpected. But according to Stephens, it wasn't that hard to go from teaching to coaching. "I coach a softball team during the summer," he explained.

The Buc baseball team struggled through most of the season ending with a record of 1-8. They had worked long and hard to raise the money, and had practiced even harder. After all that, did the team regret reviving the sport? "Heck, no!" enjoyed the players. According to them, it was "darn well worth it!" — CART



FIRIN' IT IN THERE. First team All-District member Danny Guidry, senior, delivers an exploding pitch.



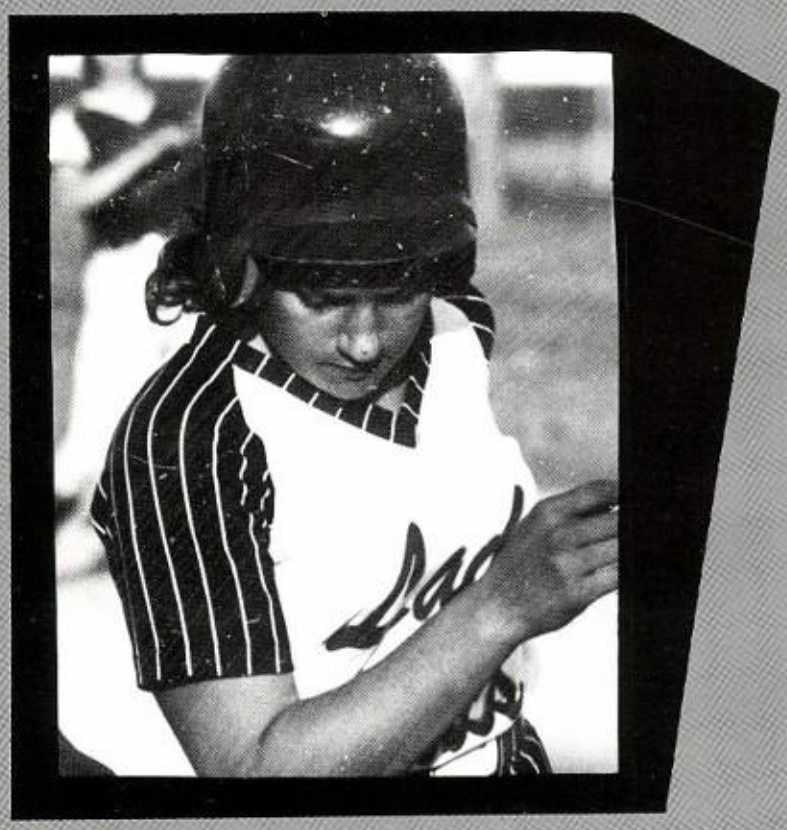
LET'S GO! Catcher Greg Edwards, senior, tries to get his team rolling again during a game at Barbe.

SLAPPIN' AT IT. Doug Dietz, senior, takes a crack at a pitch during a game against Lake Charles Boston High at Barbe.

STAYING ALERT is very important for a first baseman. Mark Cutrera, senior, keeps a good watch on all the happenings of a game against Lake Charles Boston High at Barbe.

FUND RAISING is all a part of it. Rodney Lawrence, senior (right) and a friend scrub even the tough spots during a car wash at Mere's parking lot.

"I think we had a great season this year. We played hard and had a good time. Softball is really fun and I enjoy playing it a lot. — JENET MANUEL"



SCORECARD

WON

Mamou	17	3	Hackberry	14	0
Oakdale	11	0	LaGrange	26	11
New Iberia	5	4	Opelousas	5	4
Acadiana	5	2	Sulphur	9	7
Lafayette	7	1	LaGrange	11	4
New Iberia	11	7	LaGrange	12	5
Mamou	14	4			

LOST

New Iberia	5	7	Sulphur	5	8
Sam Houston	5	14	Bolton	2	4
Belaire	3	4	Wash.	10	12
Andrew Jackson	5	6	Sulphur	8	9
Sam Houston	6	7	West Monroe	9	10
Belaire	2	6			

GETTING DOWN. Paula Raley, who was this year's catcher, helped the Lady Bucs by tagging out many opponents and by always being there when needed.

Softball

CRACK OF THE BAT. Missy Foreman, sophomore, swings with all her might in order to get a run against the Gators. Missy struck out, but the Lady Bucs stomped LaGrange 11-4.

Play Ball

A Series of One Point Losses Cost the Girls 1st Place in District

Girls' sports usually don't garner as much attention as boys' do, but softball was another matter entirely. There was no accompanying boys' team, so they received all the attention.

As with all sports, hard work and dedication were as important as skill and talent. Hard practice for the team was necessary if they wanted a successful season. Many afternoons were spent in the hot sun perfecting their throwing, catching, and hitting. "It was hard to practice," commented senior Gwen Mire. "But we had to, if we wanted to perform well."

The hard practice paid off during the season. With a 19-9 record for the season, they showed everyone that they weren't just a bunch of girls playing around. In district competition, they claimed second place, with a 4-2 record. This ensured that they got to play in state playoffs. However, after a close game against West Monroe, they lost 9-10. But they still had fun. "Playing in state competition was one of the highlights of the season," remarked Lisa Comeaux, junior. "We did lose, but we put up a real fight."

However, consolation could be taken in the amount of all-district honors claimed by the Lady Bucs. First team honors were awarded to Jenet Manuel, short stop, Vanessa Buller, pitcher, Stacey Allen, second base, and Lisa Comeaux, left field. Second team honors were awarded to Gwen Mire, first base; Paula Raley, catcher; Anjeanette Leger, center field; and Chris Gandy, right field. "Getting chosen was a big honor!" enthused Anjeanette Leger.

The softball team was made of girls who were interested in having a good itme, as well as learning the quality of working together as a team, and gaining the skills of softball playing. They had a ball playing one of the best loved sports among girls. They were champions in the eyes of the school. — CHOZEN

TWIST OF FACE. Stacie Allen, sophomore, uses her whole body to hurl the ball in order to keep Sam Houston from scoring a point. Despite Stacie's obvious effort the Lady Bucs lost 6-7.

ANXIOUS WAITING. Gwen Mire, who plays first base, takes a short break from the inning in the game against Sulphur. The Tors were defeated 9-7.

MAD DASH. Natalie Manuel makes a run for the home plate in a LaGrange game. Her efforts helped defeat the Gators 26-11.

Boys track

That Last Yard

Sometimes Seems a Mile Long

During the spring a young man's fancy turns to love. But, a young runner's fancy turns to thoughts of track meets. This year's team was no different as it geared up for a myriad of meets.

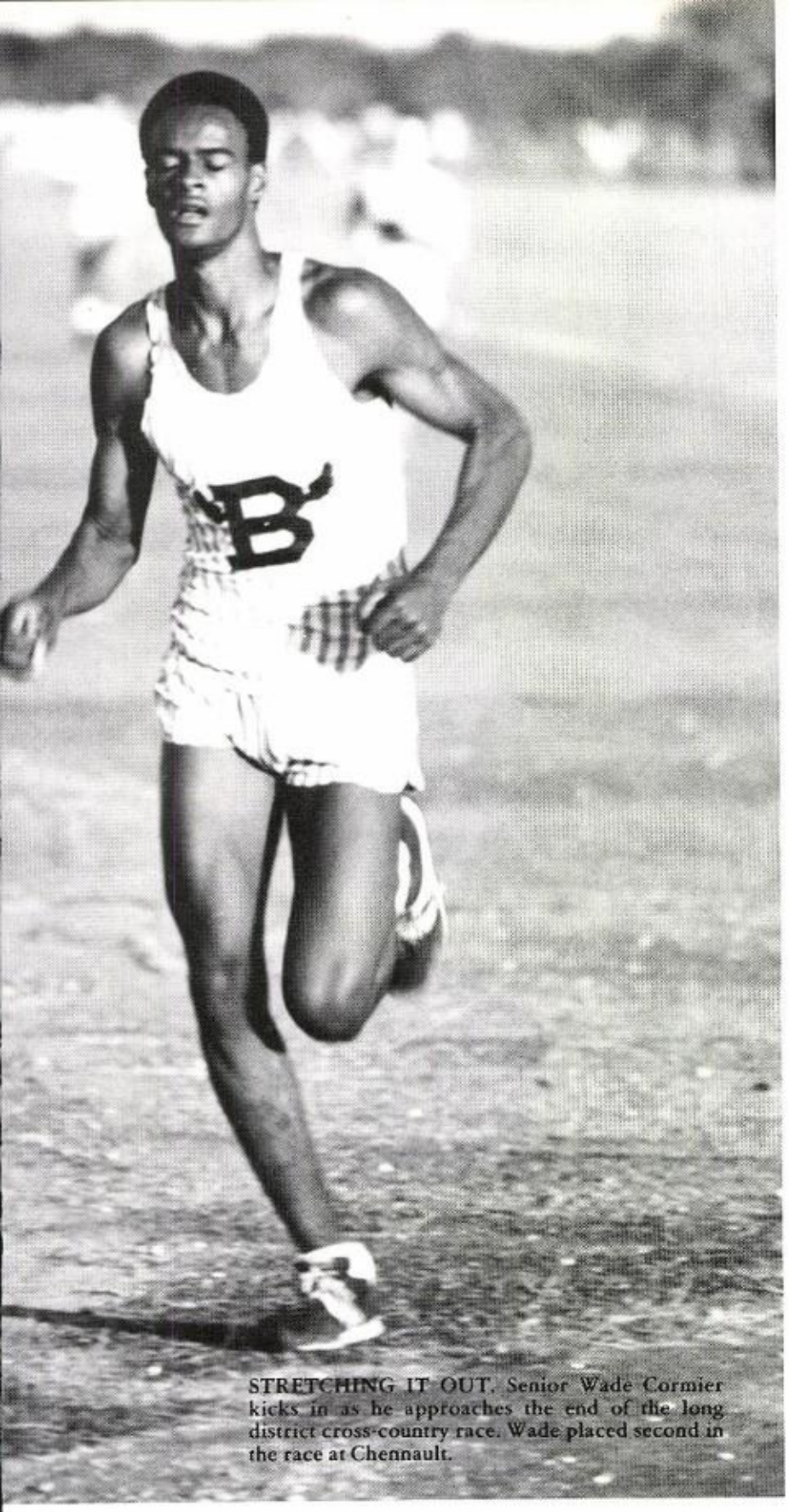
The track team competed in five meets this season. They came in fifth in their own Buc Relays, took fourth in the Cowboy Relays, and seventh in the Walker Relays. The Bucs also took home two first place trophies at the Ram Relays and the Bronco Relays. "These meets helped us build up our confidence as we moved closer to the district meet. With a good showing in the others our chances at district aren't too bad," explained Coach Wayne Cespiva. However it wasn't to be this year as the Bucs came in a disappointing fourth. Three tracksters outdid themselves as they qualified for the regional track meet. Robert McCarty in the pole vault, Cecil Doyle in the discus, and Jack Aumiller setting a new school record of 6'5" in the high jump.

One of the most scenic sports in track is cross country. But, it is as grueling as it is pretty. Running for miles over seemingly unending terrain not being able to stop for fear of being left behind. District runners-up, the team wasn't left behind on many occasions. Stuart Morstead remarked, "I try and keep my mind off the race as much as possible. This helps to relieve some of the pressure and I'll start feeling looser."

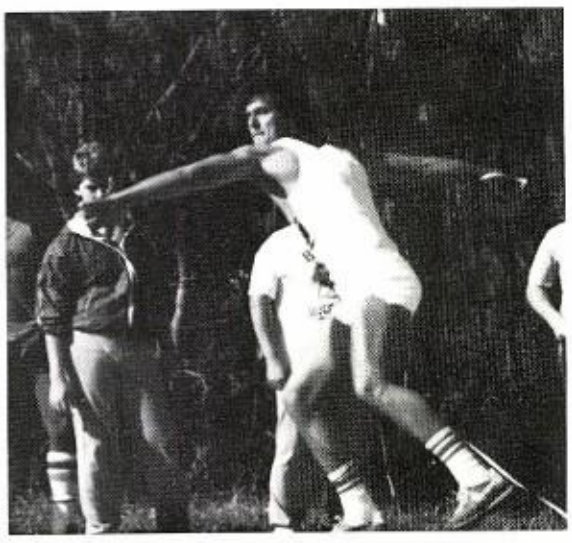
"This year we were building and storing up for when we really come on strong next year," added Scott Henderson. After a discouraging season everyone goes that last yard to make everything better next year. But sometimes that last yard is a mile long.

HEEEVE! Senior David Linscomb shoves off the shot-put during a meet at Barbe. David participates on the track team during the football off-season.

ADDING IT UP. Coach Wayne Cespiva tallies the scores after the finish while Stephen Fahlenkemp, junior, and manager Brian LeBleu, senior, look on.



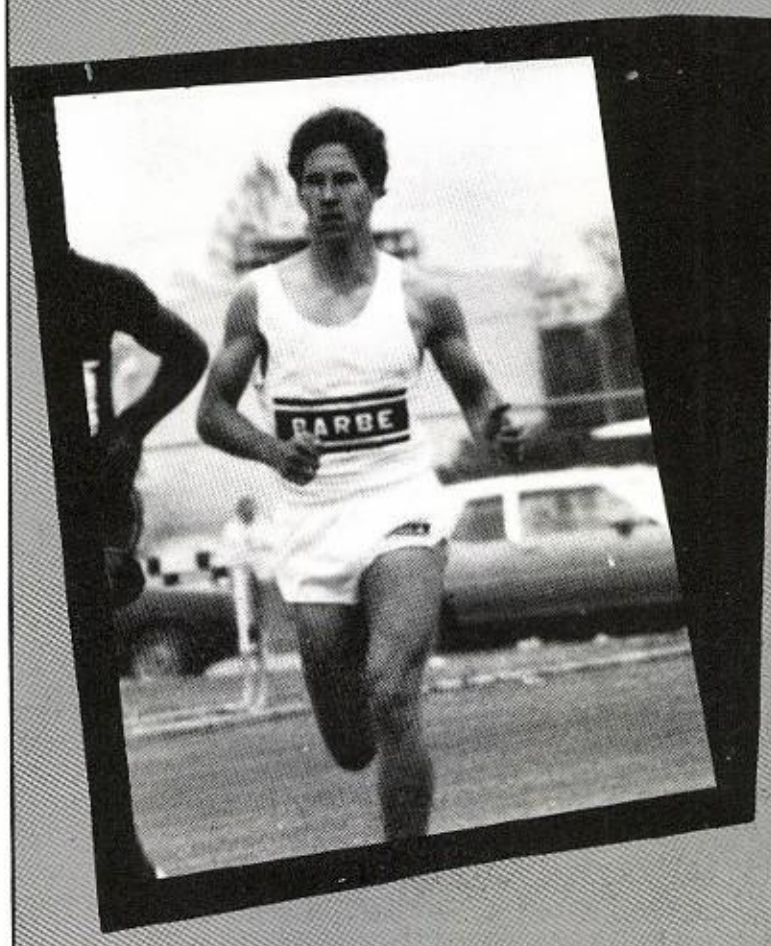
STRETCHING IT OUT. Senior Wade Cormier kicks in as he approaches the end of the long district cross-country race. Wade placed second in the race at Chennault.



LET 'ER RIP. Senior Cecil Doyle winds up to throw the discus. Cecil has been involved in track for four years. Also in the javelin throw and other events as well.

ALMOST THERE. Tom Briggs, freshman, races to the finish line during the district cross-country race.

"We had really good effort from the whole team and that paid off in some key meets this year. — RUSTY DEBARGE"



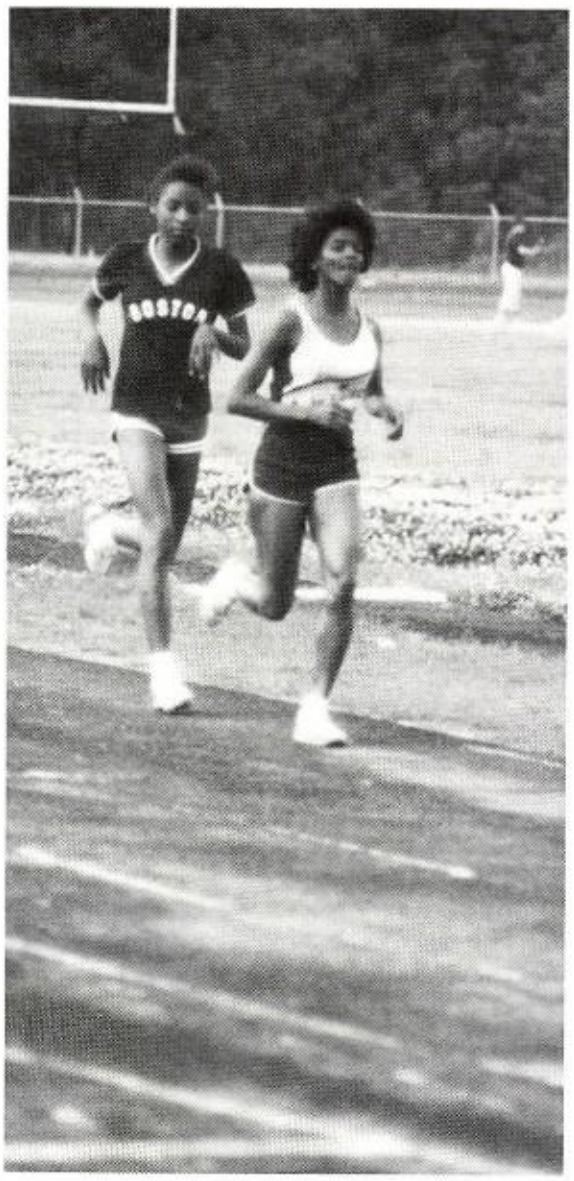
SCORECARD

Place	Meet
5th	Buc Relays
1st	Ram Relays
4th	Cowboy Relays
7th	Walker Relays
1st	Bronco Relays
4th	District 4-AAAA Meet

Girls track

BREAKIN' THE TAPE. Celecia Shavers, junior, finishes first in a race during the Buc Relays.

STAYING OUT FRONT. Cheyl Shavers, senior, conserves her energy during a long race at the Buc Relays as she waits for her Boston opponent to kick in.



Worthy of the Reputation

The best athletes can make the most difficult physical feat look easy. But the girls' track team had a harder time with it this season than in past ones. A title in the state was unattainable for a variety of reasons. The team lost a member that had kept them far in front in past years. They were unable to make it to state because not many made it to regionals.

"I've been in track since I was a freshman," Cheyl Shavers explained her devotion to the sport. "I'm the only senior who was running, so when the younger girls complained I could understand why. When I started I didn't know what was going on, but I do now. I love track because I'm doing it for my school, my team, and myself. And Coach Combs is the greatest coach. We all love him to pieces because he's so patient and understanding with everyone."

The team worked long, hard hours in preparation for each meet. They often arrived before school to practice at seven o'clock and stayed after school until four-thirty.

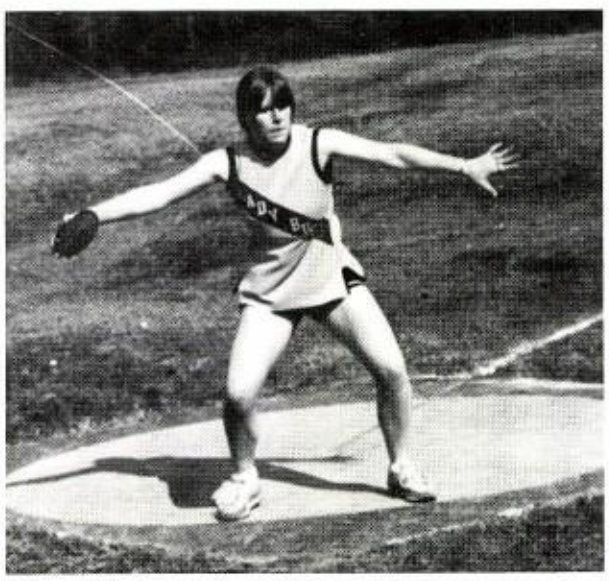
Track consisted of more than just running. The Lady Bucs participated in everything from discus, and low hurdles to the high jump and the 200 meter dash.

"I threw the discus," explained Melissa Ellis who placed first in district. "It was like throwing a heavy frisbee." She explained why the team didn't do as well as in recent seasons. "Some of the most talented girls either had graduated or moved away. Cheyl Shavers and I were the only seniors left on the team. We also didn't go to as many meets this year which was a big factor because we didn't have to practice as much."

If you want to join track, you have to be aware it's a very demanding sport," warned Lynette Cormier. Coach Combs can find talent that you didn't know you had."

Even though the team didn't manage to get another district championship, they weren't discouraged. Their attitude was worthy of the greatest reputation.

AHEAD OF THE PACK. Kerri Jacobi, sophomore paces herself out front during a distance race.



ALL RIGHT! Sophomore Leslie Frick and senior Cheyl Shavers rejoice together after Leslie finishes first in a race at the Buc Relays.

CONCENTRATION is the name of the game. Senior Melissa Ellis rares back as she prepares to throw the discus. Melissa was first in the district in the discus.

Rodeo & Swim team

Obscure but Dedicated

Different Strokes for Different Folks

The rodeo club and swim team weren't the most publicized of sports, but even if they weren't the most talked about on campus, their dedication kept them up.

The swim team finished ninth in state in New Orleans out of 25 teams. Eric Bohdan placed seventh in the 200-free style and eighth in the 500-free style. Philip Rogers ended up eight in the 800-butterfly. The relay team of Randy Arnold, Eric Bohdan, Paul Cooper, and Philip Rogers swam into ninth place.

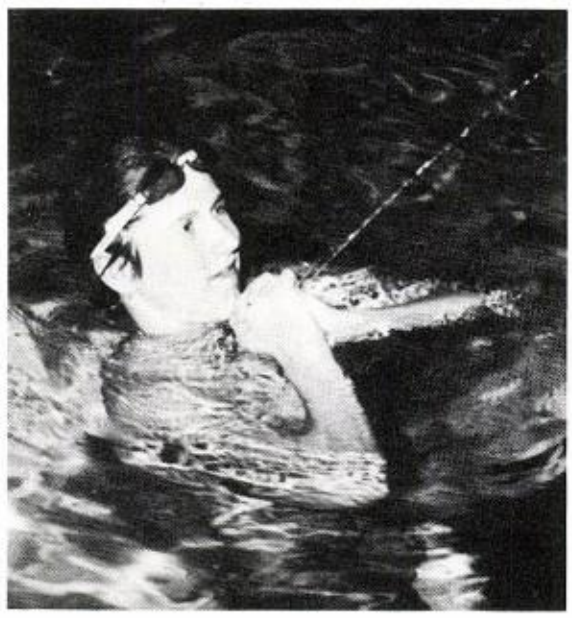
"We couldn't get first in state of course," stated Eric Bohden. "It's kinda hard with only four people competing."

The rodeo club went to Sulphur for the state event. Linda Gary competed in the cow roping contest. Billy Kerry grabbed hold of fourth in state for bull-riding.

"I was out for a year when a bull caught my arm,"informed Billy Kerry, showing his arm. "They used plates and bolts to keep it together. I ride bull all year long and I think the club doesn't get enough appreciation around school. But I enjoy doing it."

Despite the lack of campus interest in their sports, the rodeo club and swim team managed to do their thing.

"It was a good way to spend a weekend," grinned Randy Arnold.

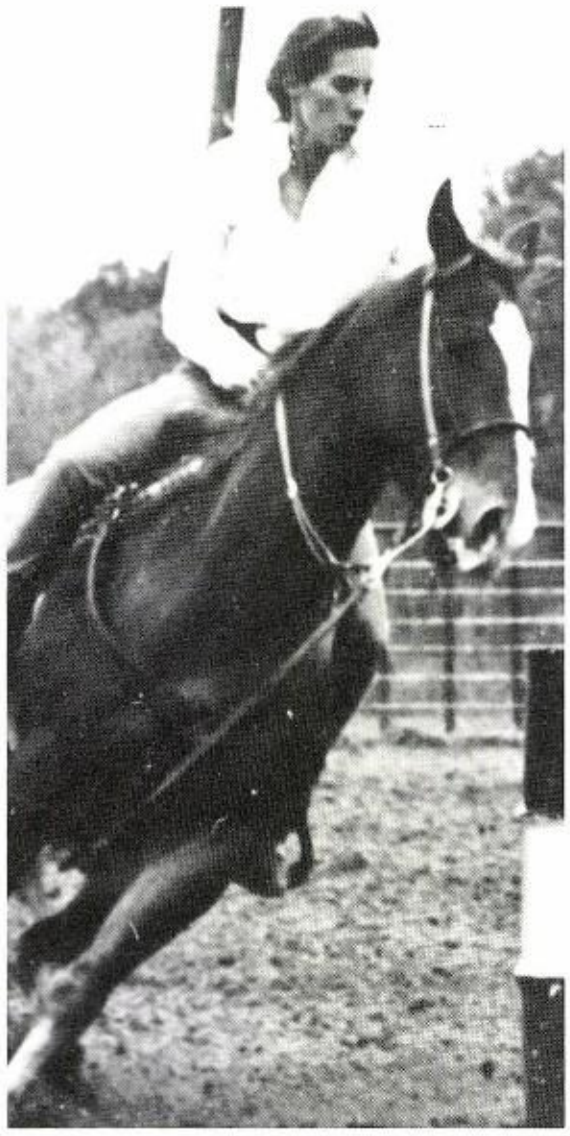


WATERGAMES. Eric Bohdan, junior swim team member, finds time to play during a practice at the YMCA before state finals in New Orelans.

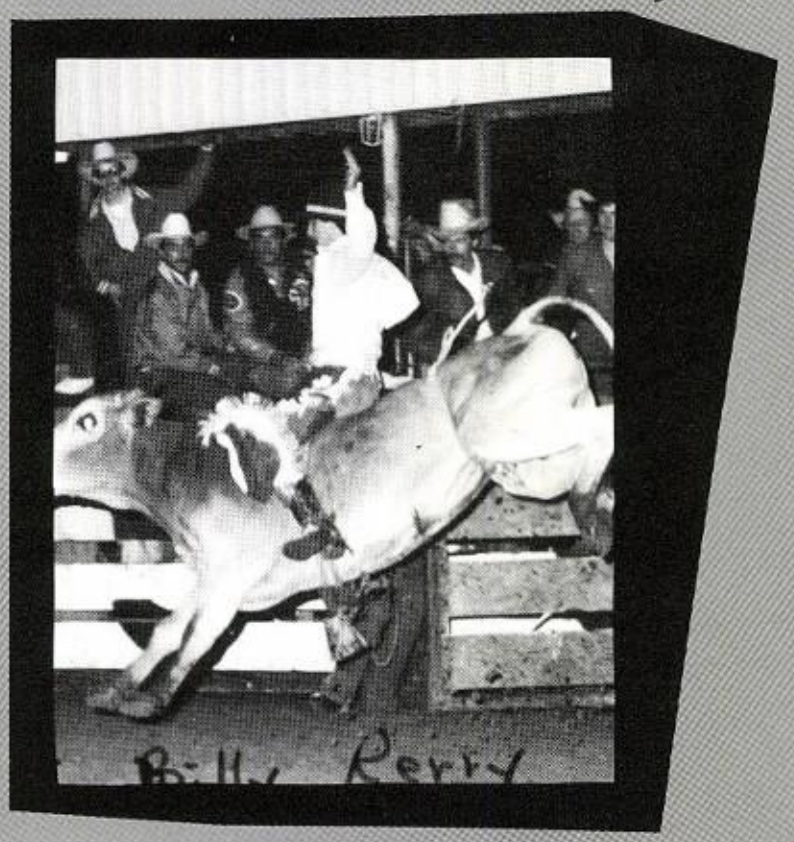
SHOOTING THE BULL. Donnie Sittig, senior, rode his bull for a whopping eight seconds until the buzzer.

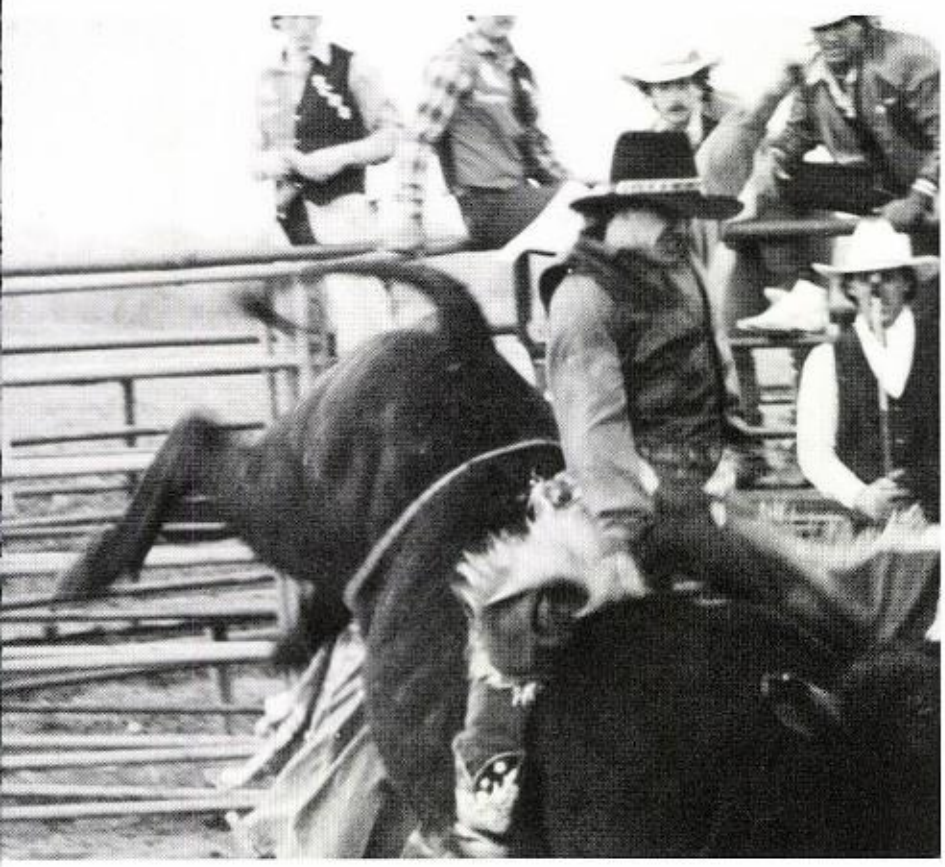
LET'S STROKE. Phillip Rogers, junior, breaststrokes the length of the pool during practice for state finals.

ROUND THE BARREL. Linda Gary, senior, urges her horse on without knocking the barrel over for a faster time.



"I started up again after my broken arm healed. It wasn't easy, but I am really dedicated to bull riding and rodeo club. — BILL KERRY"





BUCKIN' THE BRONC. Mike Rogers, senior, saddle bronc rides with excellent skill in order to obtain a winning score.

Golf and Tennis

Golf and tennis have always been thought of as sports played only by rich people in their country clubs. But at Barbe, golf and tennis were sports played by teams who were more interested in the thrill of victory than in business prospects on the courts.

The tennis team swung into a successful season playing tournaments at St. Louis, Sulphur, and DeRidder. Their chief claim to fame, however, came in the regional playoffs where the team captured the title. The boys tied for first with LaGrange. The girls' team claimed first place with an amazing performance.

Qualification for the state tournament, held May 3 and 4 in New Orleans, was the main event at the regional tournament held at Barbe in late April. Thirteen students from Barbe did well enough to continue on to New Orleans. In boys'doubles, John Miller and Shane Lundy claimed first place, while Will Nassar and Mark Wegener won second. In girls' doubles, Ann Kratzer and Kerri Jacobi won first place, while Julie Moore and Karla Jacobi got second. In girl's singles, Pam LeBaton captured first place, while in mixed doubles, David McElveen and Shelly Gerard won first place, and Mike Cox and Allison Ware got second.

The golf team also got into the swing of things and made the rounds of local tournaments. Jeff Peltz, Mike Mitchell, John Kaspar, Jim Flavin and Scott Ellender, made up the A-team. Coached by Mrs. Sister Ezell, they competed at Sulphur where they won second in district.

Golf and tennis were sports for ladies and gentlemen. While they didn't get as much attention as football or basketball, they got enough for the players to be content. After all, once you were into the swing of things, it was hard to get out. — CHOZEN

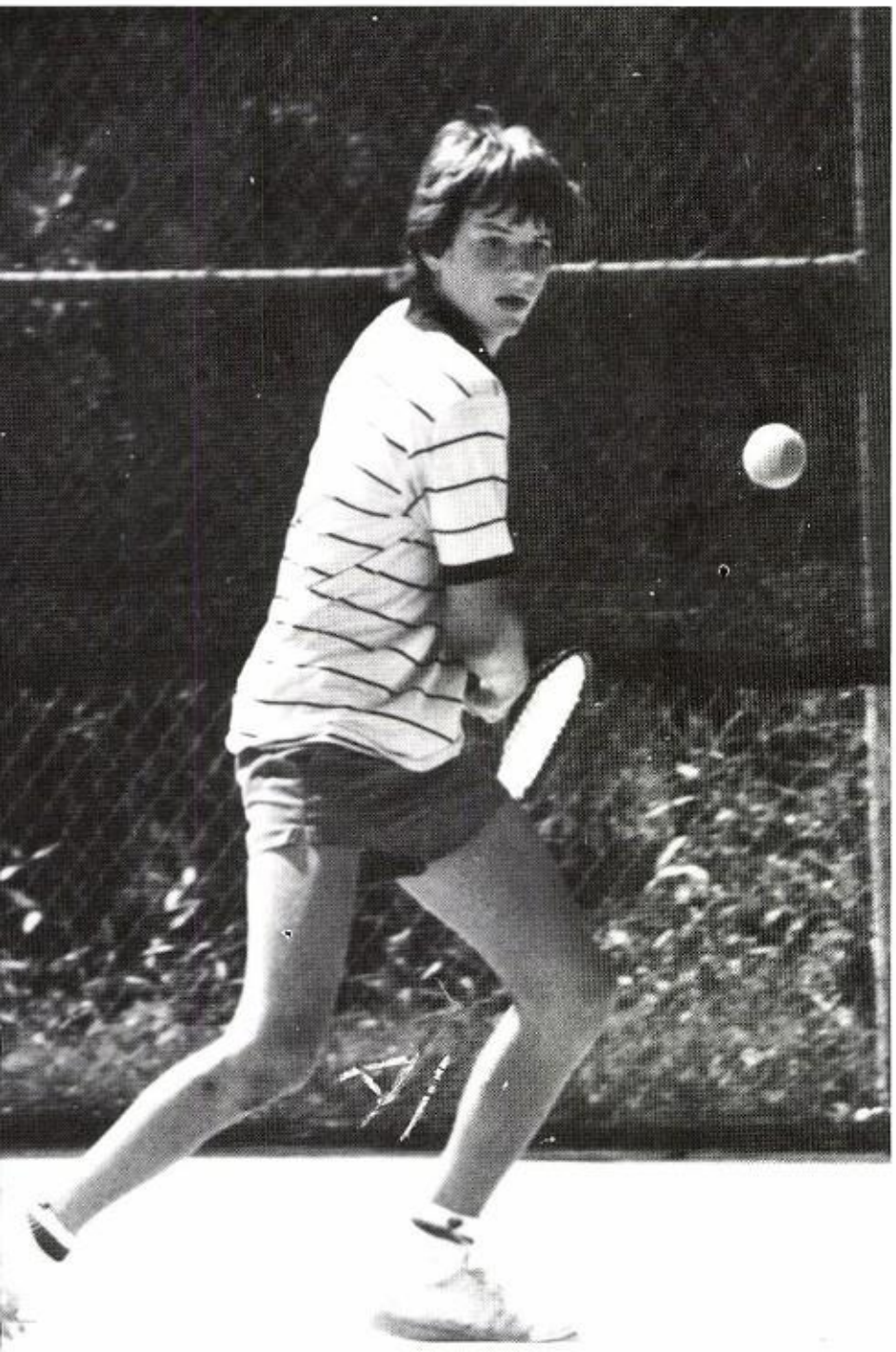
PERFECT FORM. Senior Jim Flavin keeps his head down during his follow through.

KEEPING HIS EYE ON IT. Keith Wimberly, sophomore, watches the ball as he prepares to return a serve.

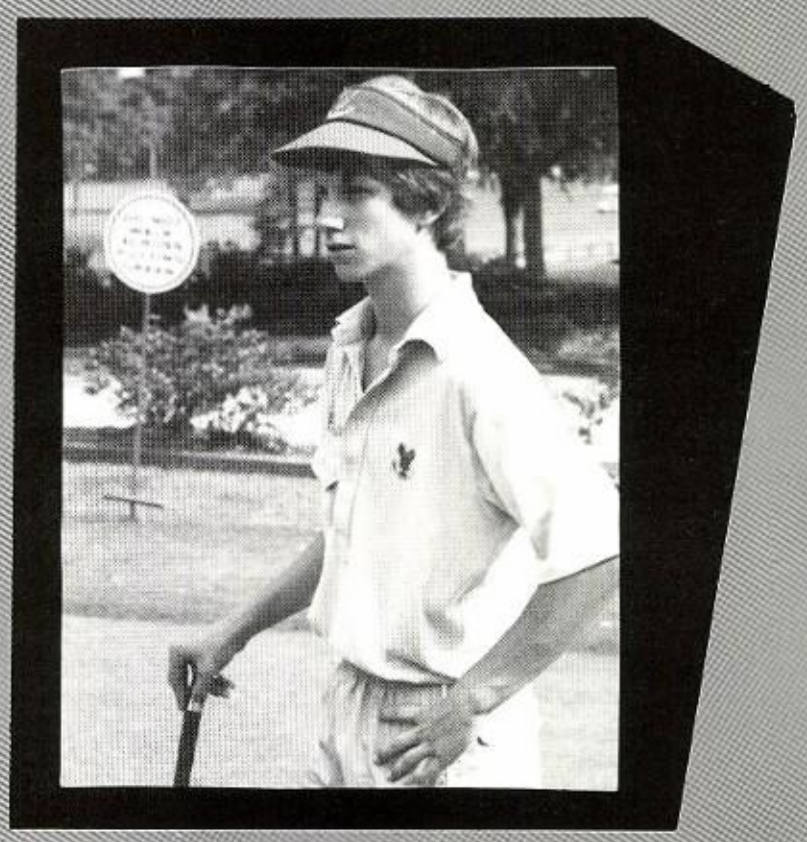
WHICH WAY DOES IT CURVE. Scott Ellender, sophomore, checks the break of the green.

RUNNIN' IT DOWN. Shelly Gerard, freshman, chases a deep return across the court.

DIGGIN' FOR WORMS. Jeff Peltz, senior, swings his way out of the sand trap at Mallard Cove.



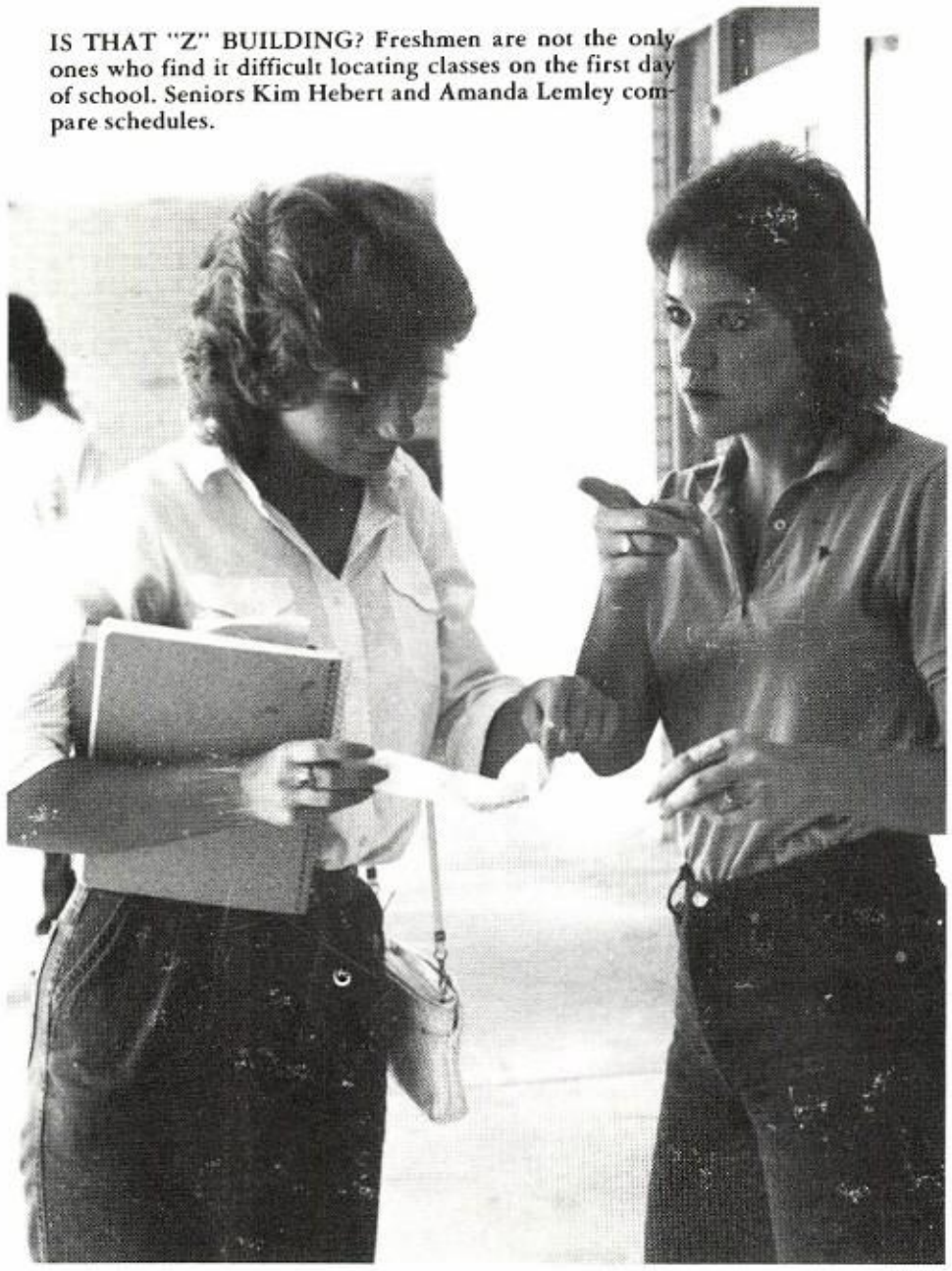
"We didn't live up to our potential as a team. We should have won every tournament we played in. — MIKE MITCHELL"



Nothin' Halfway About It

academics

IS THAT "Z" BUILDING? Freshmen are not the only ones who find it difficult locating classes on the first day of school. Seniors Kim Hebert and Amanda Lemley compare schedules.



With the cut in school funding, it was assumed that the school system would deteriorate. The community started to write off the quality of the children's education. But they were too quick to judge.

Although funds were slashed, the minimal requirements for graduation and college applications were raised. Calcasieu Parish made a uniform grading scale and final exams were reinstated. Even though getting an A was harder, students still opted for college-prep classes: chemistry, physics, calculus, and biochemistry.

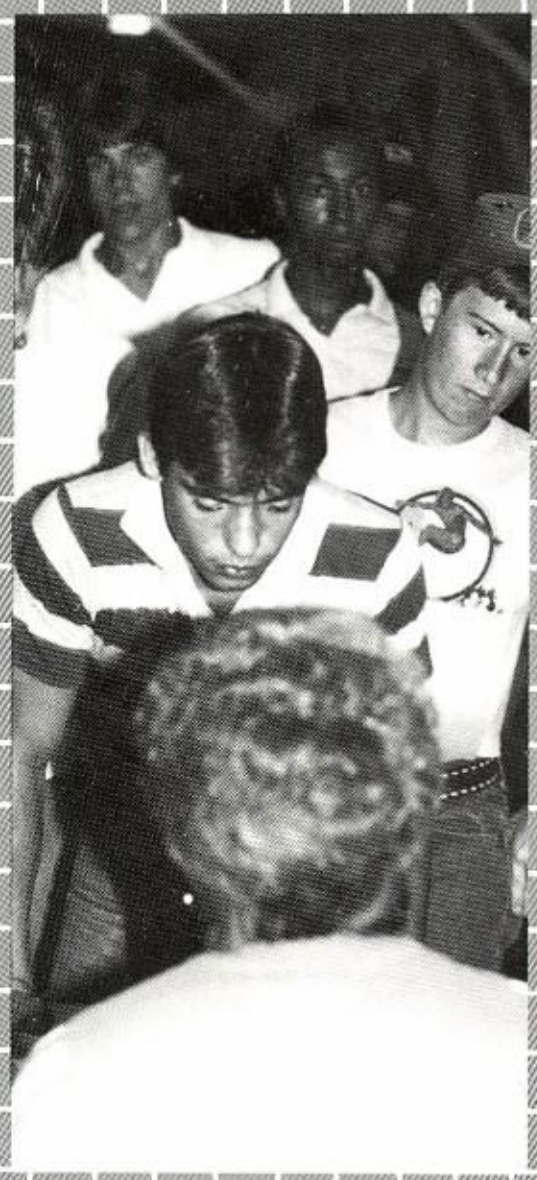
The classes were tough but it wasn't always grind. The English department, influenced by the popularity of trivia games such as Isaac Asimov's *Super Quiz* and *Trivial Pursuit,* formed the English Quiz Bowl. Latin and French students trekked to convention in Baton Rouge to pit their newly-acquired skills in grammar and cultural enrichment against those of other state schools.

Rally students garnered 9 first places (over-all firsts) at MSU Competition in March. Teachers honored the participants' extra efforts with a banquet, presenting them with medals paid for by the teachers involved and certain organizations.

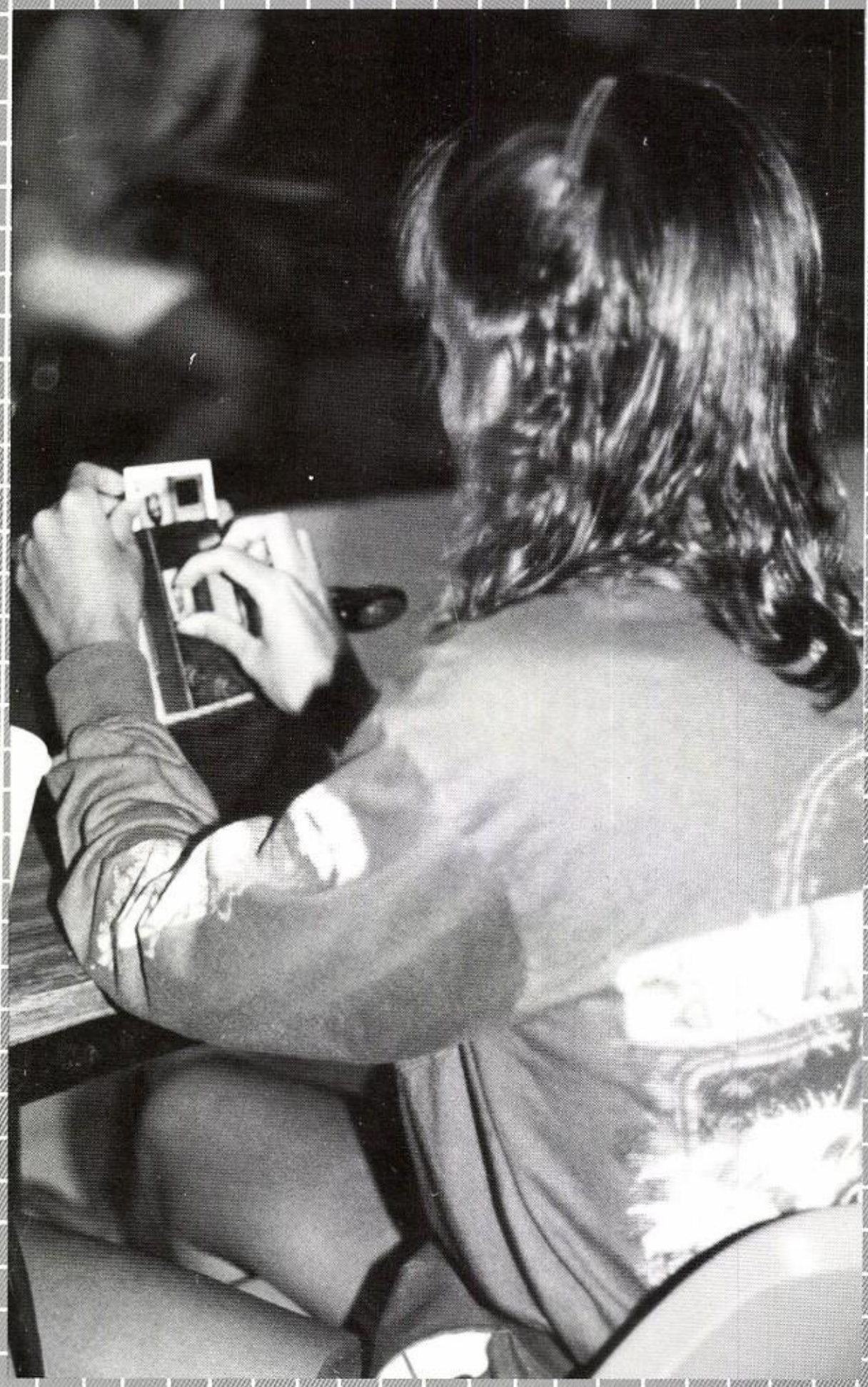
Those little perks brightened the gloomy educational outlook. When the school board rocked the boat there was nothin' halfway about how we kept our heads "above" in academic waters. — Marshall

UP, UP, AND AWAY! As part of a science demonstration showing the use of energy, speaker Ches Alper cheers Doug Smith on as he "lifts" Christa Soileau off the ground. (Inset)

DARE TO BE DIFFERENT. An original version of Pinocchio was performed by seniors Robert Breaux and LeeAnn Waguespack in second hour Speech II.



THE LINE UP. Seniors, Clark Racca, Robbie Robertson, Davy Davis, Richard Fowlkes, and Jonathan Hantz patiently wait their turn to get locker numbers and combinations from Mrs. Peggy Trahan.



SLICING THEM UP. Junior Julie Moore cuts pictures as part of an Octagon project for student I.D. cards.

Taking the First Step

Out of the Summer Sun into Registration Fun

Thirteen hundred and twenty-five. 1-3-2-5.

Yes, that's how many students jammed into the south gym on August 10 and 11. Of these, 350 were freshmen getting their first tastes of that great people jam known as — registration.

As unsuspecting freshmen entered the gym, more than a few were caught off guard at the sight of the half-bored, half-sleepy students waiting for their names to be called.

"I thought it would be organized, but when I walked into the gym I was so surprised to see all those people just sitting around!" exclaimed freshman Patti Hackett.

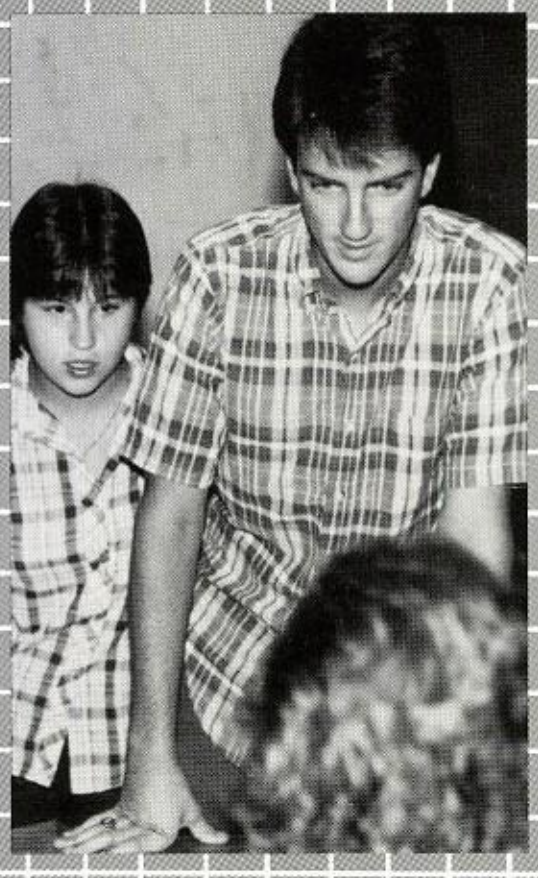
But for the students who had done it too many times before it was just a reminder that the summer was coming to an end. Senior, Keri Forbess moaned, "I tried to forget about it, but it kept sticking in my mind."

The majority of the students have developed a deadening feeling toward the day. Mike Latham, a senior, commented, "When I was a freshman I didn't know what to expect, but now that I've done it a few times I'm used to it."

After the eventful day came to an end and the bright, summer sun settled down for a long winter's nap, students' thoughts were invaded by the agonizing visions of homework and that dreaded first day of school. — CART

JOHN HANCOCKING IT. Seniors Scott LeBleu and David Gray write their signatures, putting the finishing touches on their I.D. cards.

IT'S ALL IN THE CARDS. Even after four years, Senior Keith Shrewsberry still gets confused when it comes to filling out locater cards.



TOTAL CONFUSION. Seniors, Amy Dunn and Chris Trahan are baffled by the fact that after four years their roll call has been changed to another teacher.

BACK TO BASICS. Senior Southey Hayes uses his reading skills to find information on King Henry VII for Mrs. Connie McDonald's English IV term papers.

READING BETWEEN THE LINES. Everyone can be seen studying at one time or another during lunch. Junior Pam Lang is no exception when it comes to memorizing a few definitions.

Step by Step

into the Wonderful World of Tests and Term Papers

In between late winter and early spring, junior and senior English teachers handed out their latest assignment. While the task's required note cards, rough drafts, and final copies might be a boon for the paper industry, for the students it spelled f-e-a-r, d-i-s-g-u-s-t, and l-o-a-t-h-i-n-g.

In the beginning, only the knocking knees and trembling hands of the term paper-searching students could be seen and heard in the library. However, after the initial shock wore off, students were surprised by their reactions. "Once I got into the work, it was really kind of fun,"said Roma Breaux, junior.

Some were plagued with procrastination. "I had typed most of my term paper the night before," explained junior Gary Robertson, "but I wasn't quite finished. So I paid some guy $3.00 to type my title page and data sheet 1st hour, and turned it in 2nd hour."

The thought of having a biology test, geometry exam, and an English Quiz, all on the same day, was enough to make the average student sick. Of course, tests had a purpose; to see if one was learning what one was supposedly learning. However, if one hasn't learned anything, one had to spend the night before the test studying what one should already know. And somehow, what is on the test is never what you've studied. "No matter how hard I study," sighed freshman Robbie Piraro, "I never study what I need to know." Claimed Stephen Kitt, "If we never had tests, I guess I would never bother to learn anything that didn't interest me." — CHOZEN

THE EYES HAVE IT. In the commons Sophomore Anna Tarver takes time out from her lunch break to read over her geometry notes before the test.

CRAMMING IT UP. School isn't all fun and games especially when you have a biology test to study for. Sophomore Derrik Woodsen gets in a few last minute facts during his lunch break.

CONCENTRATION. Open book tests may seem easy but not in Ms. Joan Vallee's Chemistry class. Junior Janie Kleinschmidt searches for the answers in her textbook.

Highsteppin

Into the Fun Things at School

Reading, writing, and rithmetic, dance to the sound of a hickory stick!

There wasn't any dancing done, but still teachers managed to stick a little fun into the day to day drag of the educational week.

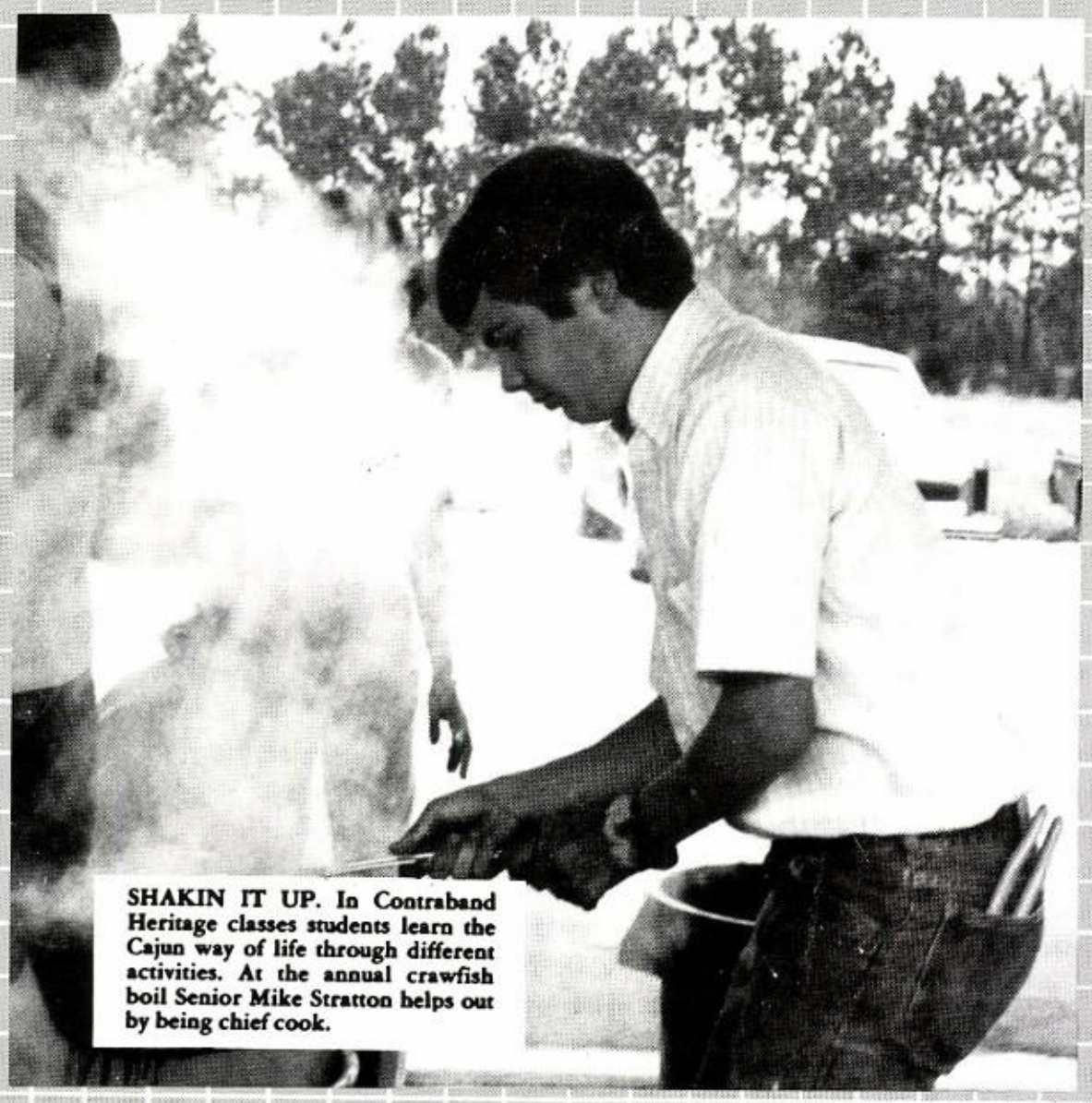
Students experienced the joy of examining and dissecting earthworms and frogs. "I didn't like to even look at them, much less touch them," shuddered freshman Shannon Gaharan. Added sophomore Mary McCann, "I thought I would just watch, but after we started, I did most of the cutting!"

Speech was an all-around neat class. Poems were recited, stories acted out, costumes worn, and makeup applied like a professional. "I'm really nervous about delivering my speeches, but not as much as when I first started," commented sophomore Mary Benoit.

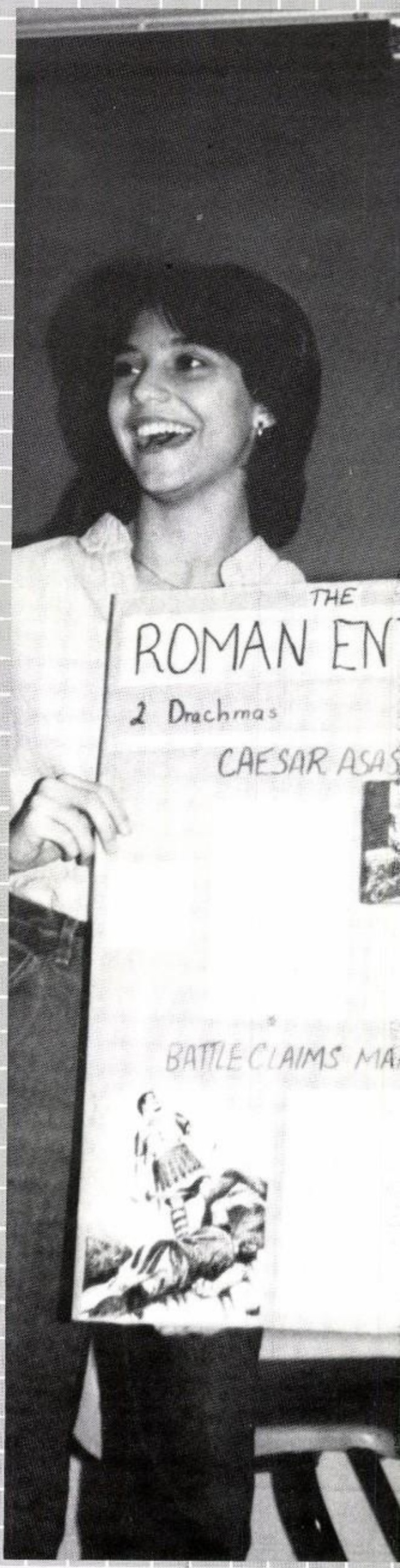
The four languages proved to be interesting, too. In French II, they had a French food-tasting unit. In German, the class attended a foreign language festival at USL and presented a skit entirely in German. Latin was no longer a dead language, as many students struggled successfully to master at least a small part of it. Spanish provided a good deal of history along with the language.

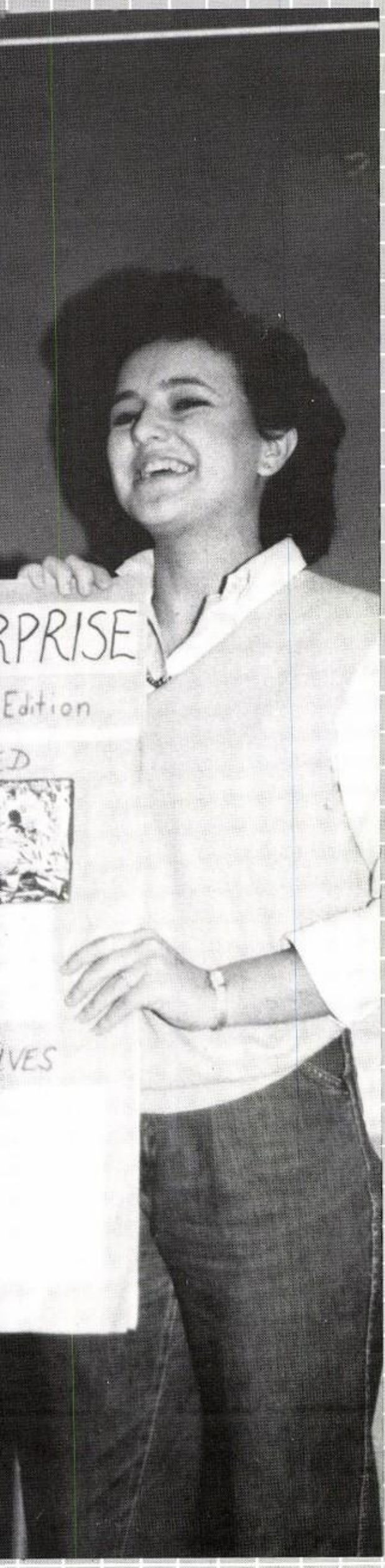
In the English classes, in April, students participated in Quiz Bowl. "Quiz Bowl is really a mind-expanding experience," decided senior Jim Hutchins.

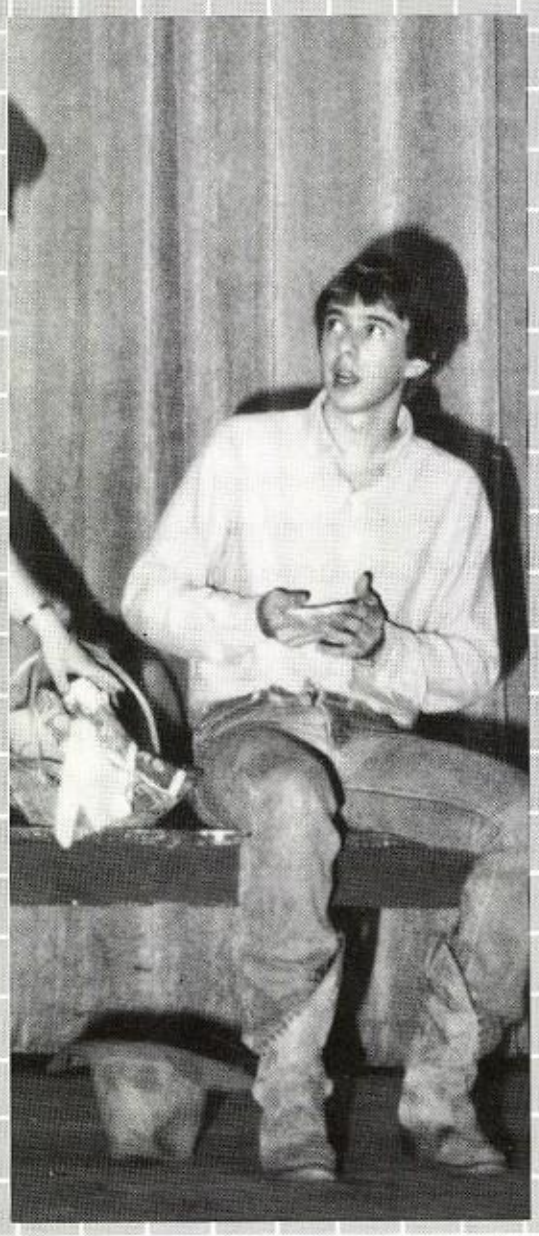
Of course, getting any high school student to admit in public, that classes were enjoyable and that they actually liked school was impossible. Those excited, smiling faces and squeals of delight are figments of everyone's imagination. — CHOZEN



SHAKIN IT UP. In Contraband Heritage classes students learn the Cajun way of life through different activities. At the annual crawfish boil Senior Mike Stratton helps out by being chief cook.

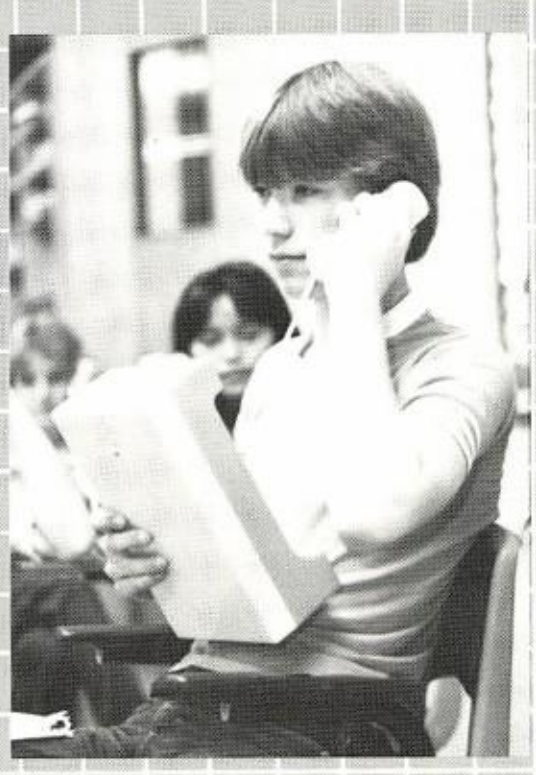






PLAYING THE PART. Senior Keith LeDoux plays a soldier telling a family about the war at a speech rally performance of the play "An Occurrence at Owl Creek Bridge."

DIALING DIRECT. Impromptu phone conversations in French class give almost as much trouble to Sophomore Dave McLelland as the phone system in France does to tourists.

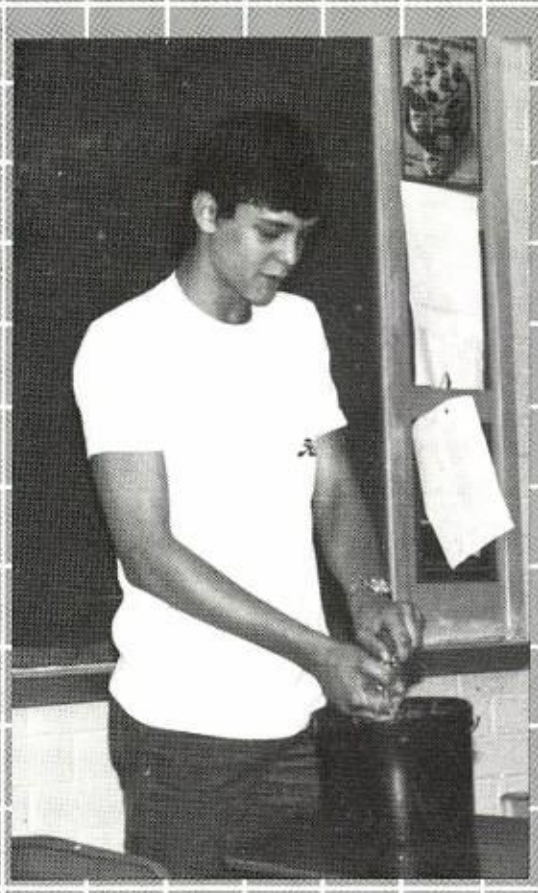


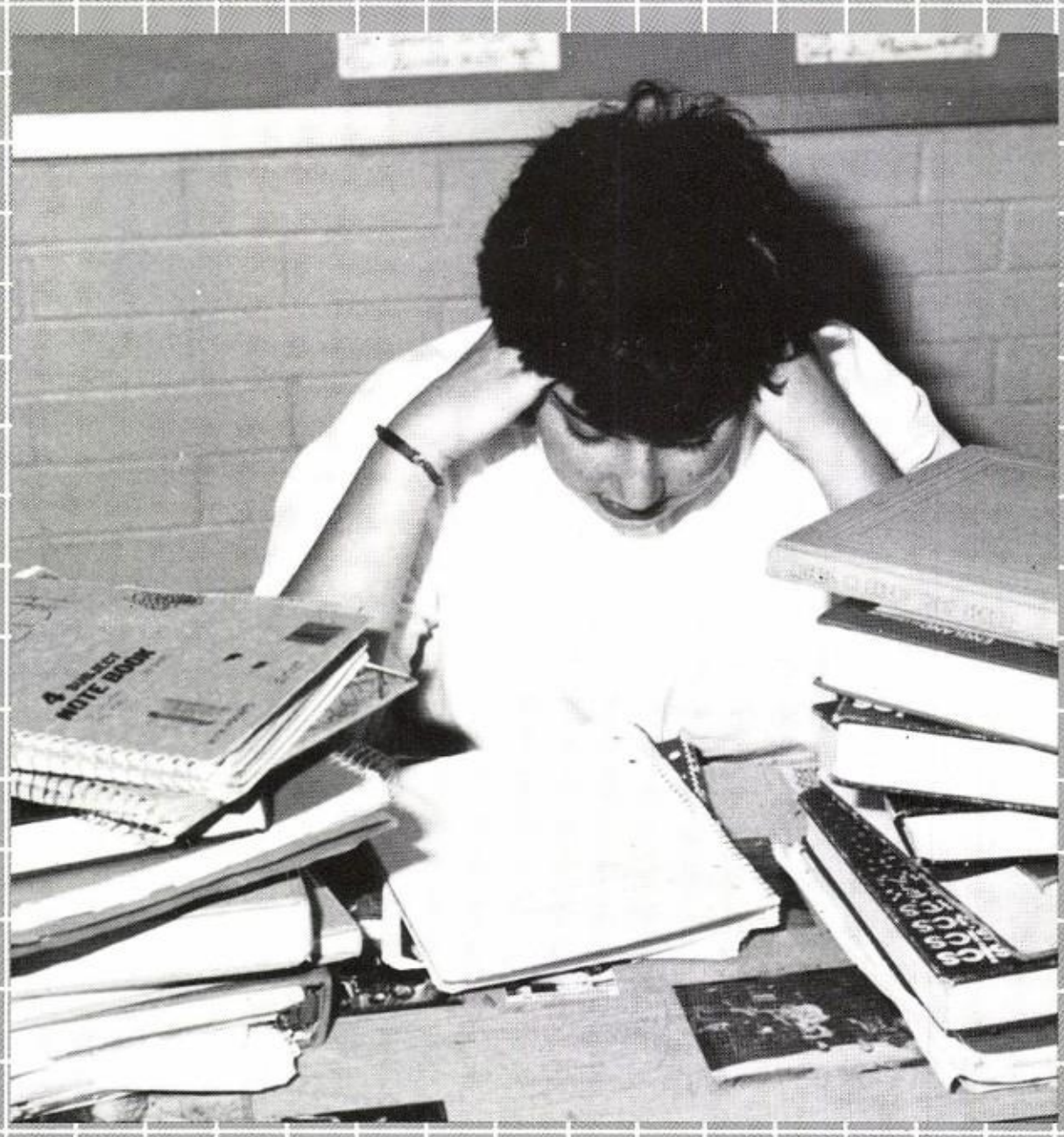
PROUD SMILES. As part of oral reports in Mrs. Stewart's English II, Sophomores Lauren Sonnier and Gina Eggers designed their version of a Roman newspaper.

WHERE'S THE BEEF? At the annual Thanksgiving Dinner in Mrs. Maurice Harris's Contraband Cuisine class Seniors Mark Lundy and Peggy Tucker act surprised to see turkey on their plates.

USING THE OLD NOODLE. Homework is a major nuisance during the year. Freshman Pam Chozen exercises her brain on the large amount of homework given to her in one day.

ALL WORK AND NO PLAY. Staying after school isn't just sitting in a desk and staring at the wall. Freshman Calvin Blair uses a little elbow grease to wash boards.





TELLING IT LIKE IT IS. After writing 200 lines stating "I will not talk again" -Junior Doug Felton defends himself to Ms. Gwen Lancon who insists that she only counts 175.

Misstepping

Dancin' to Tunes of a Hickory Stick

There are very few things in the academic process that highschoolers view as pleasant. Most of what goes on is something that no one wishes to think about . . . tests, homework, special projects, term papers. But dancing around the darkest corners of a student's mind were things more dreaded than those assignments. They were the sentences imposed for dancing out of step to the hickory stick.

Cleaning chalkboards made a convincing punishment. "It's better than getting detention," grumbled freshman Hugh Collette, "but I'd prefer doing something else with my afternoons.

Being late to class is a common misstep. After a certain number of tardies the victim is sent to detention, where they sit from thirty minutes to an hour. As for repeating the experience, Chris Brown assured, "I worry about getting to class on time now!"

Sometimes, however, just staying after school wouldn't do. After being tardy for the sixth time, Saturday Work Day was assigned. One got to spend his or her Saturday at hard labor. Scrubbing trashcans, wiping the skoal spit off the floors; the type of menial labor no one wanted to do." I got Saturday work for being tardy," revealed sophomore Shelly LaRocca.

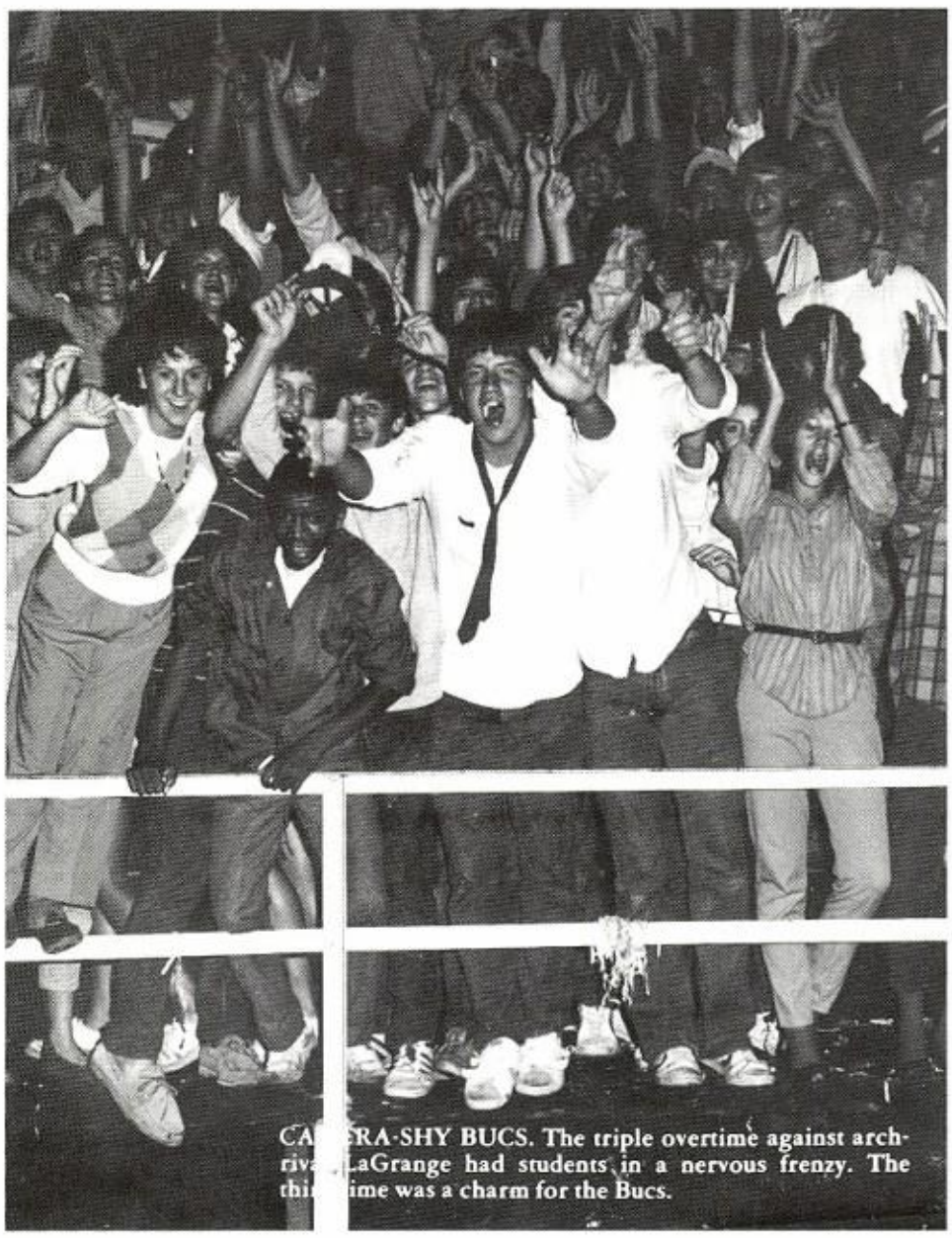
Some students did change their tune after serving time. The rest preferred to keep paying the band so they could dance to their own music. - CHOZEN

THE GUMFIGHTERS. To some, an afternoon of scraping gum off the floors may not seem enjoyable but Freshman Doug Mclelland and Sean Atkins had more fun than they bargained for.

WORKING CLASS DOG. Saturday work day proves to be more work than one person can handle. Junior Steve Cannon cleans the gym one Saturday morning after a Friday night basketball game.

Nothin' Halfway About It

People



CA RA-SHY BUCS. The triple overtime against archriv LaGrange had students in a nervous frenzy. The thi ime was a charm for the Bucs.

On the first day of school you could already tell who was who. The freshmen looking around trying not to look lost under their pile of books. The sophomores figuring they had almost everything figured out. The juniors suddenly taking an almost violent dislike for the younger classmen. The seniors and their relief about not having any of that to worry about.

We all knew that school would be a little different from the year before, but it was more than what we expected. We started school earlier than before, but we got out sooner. The classrooms either had too few chairs or too many pupils. A newly-installed computer system determined how warm we should be. It must have gotten us confused with penguins.

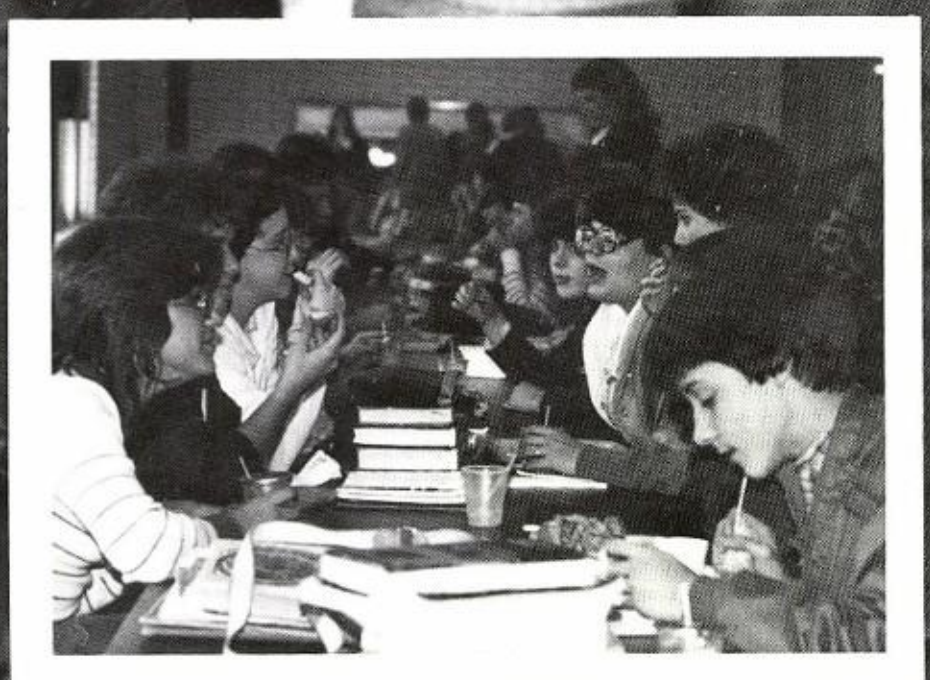
When we realized that we were being controlled by outside forces, we decided to be remembered as more than statistics on a government chart.

We showed our uniqueness in skits for civics and speech, even in morning announcements. Listening to the campaign to "Save America's Sweetheart," or another segment in the "Saga of Karen and Norma" brightened up first hour.

By year's end, after the initial burst of spring fever, we realized that we were united. Despite all the little setbacks we realized that we ended up on top. — MARSHALL

CHOW TIME. Whether used for a time to eat or to catch up on the latest gossip going around school, lunch time is a perfect way to break the dullness of any school day. (Inset)

HELL'S ANGELS. Halloween Dress up Day, sponsored by the Executive Student Council, is a perfect excuse for Sheila Lambert, Wendy Myers, Laura Clarke, and Anne Kratzer to let their mean and tough sides show.



MOOCHIN'. Debi Turek, junior, "mooches" a pencil from senior Laura Dimmick during fifth hour class.

ABATE, KAREN: Student Council 9-11 (Treasurer 10); Leo 9; Cheerleader 9; Octagon 9-12 (Board Member 12); N.H.S. 11, 12; Bluebelles 10-12 (Co-captain 11) (Captain 12); La. All-Star Lionette Dance Team 10; Yearbook 12; 1st in Talent Show 11; Girls' State 12; Voted Most Talented 11, 12; Who's Who 12; Superstar Drill Team Girl 11, 12. ABSHIRE, RHONDA: Chorus. ARMSTRONG, AMANDA: F.H.A. 9; Flag Corps 10, 12. BENNERSCHEIDT, MARY: Student Council 9-11; Bluebelles 10-12; Leo 9; Octagon 11; F.H.A. 11; Key Club Sweetheart 11, 12; Homecoming Court 12. BONO, CHRISTI: Tennis Team 9, 10 (State Tournament 9, 10); Barbe Beauty Pageant 9, 11; Cheerleader 10-12 (Head 12); Octagon 11, 12; Student Council 12; Voted Best All Around 9; Who's Who; Presidential Classroom 12; F.H.A. 9, 12; Cal-Cam Rep. 12. BOURNE, KENNETH: Quill and Scroll 9, 10; Octagon 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10; F.C.A. 9, 10; Track 9; Who's Who. BOURQUE, TRACY: Bluebelle 10-12; Octagon 12. BROUSSARD, CAROLYN: Student Council — Maplewood Jr. 9; Leo Club — Sulphur High 10; Toreadoras — Sulphur 10; C.O.E. — Barbe 12; F.B.L.A. — Reporter 12. BROWN, BARRETTE: Band 9, 10; S.O.S. 12. BROWN, KIMBERLY: F.H.A. 11; F.H.A./HERO 11, 12 (Social Chairman); Zodiac 10, 11 (Asst. Secretary); CHE 12. BRUNO, COLLEEN: Chorus 9, 10 (Honor Chorus 9); Bluebelles 10-12. BRYSON, ERNEST: Library Club 10 (Pres.); Excalibur Club 10; Football 11; Newspaper 11; Chorus 12; Community Service Leadership Training Program 11; Student Council 10, 11 (Exec. Rep. 10) (Achievement Award 10); Lead Role in Chorus Production of "Scrooge" 12. BUSHNELL, DAVID: Interact 10-12; Baseball 10-12; F.H.A. 12. BURGE, CATHERINE: Band 9, 10; Leo Club 9, Sec. 10, Pres. 11; Advanced Chorus 10; Concert Chorale 11, 12; Advanced Science Club 12. BUSHNELL, DAVID: Interact 10-12; Baseball 10-12; F.H.A. 12. BUSHNELL, JAMES: Football 9-12; Track 9, F.C.A. 10; Interact 12. BURWELL, TROY: Band 9-12 (Concert Band 9-10) (Symphonic Band 11-12); Boys' Chorus 12; Advance Chorus 12; Tennis Team 10-12; Who's Who 12; Second Place General Business Literary rally 9; Second Place Free Enterprise Literary Rally 11; Jr. Achievement 9-12 (V. Pres. 10, 12). CAPELOUTO, DEAN: Football 10, 12; Track 10, 11; Student Council 10, 11. CART, CHARLES: Key Club 9-12; Student Council 9-11; Yearbook 12; 3rd Place General Science, Literary Rally 9; 1st Place American History Literary Rally 11. CART, RUSTY: Key Club 9-12; Football 9-12; Powder-Puff Football Coach; Presidential Classroom 12; Century III Scholarship; Best Citizen Award; Twirp Court 10-12 (King 12); Barbe Beauty Pageant 11, 12; Track 10; Baseball 11, 12; Football Scholastic Award; Voted Best All Around 9-11; F.C.A. 9-10; F.H.A. 12 (Beau); N.H.S. 10-12; Citizensbip Award 11. CHIASSON, KIM: Octagon 12; Varsity Cheerleader 10, 12; Newspaper Staff 12. CHRISTIAN, JOHN: Football 9-11; Track 9; Chorus 12. CLARK, ALESIA: Bookkeeping Rally 11; Who's Who 11; C.O.E. 12.

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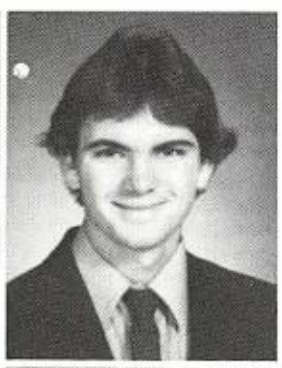

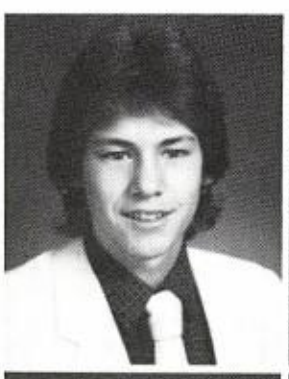
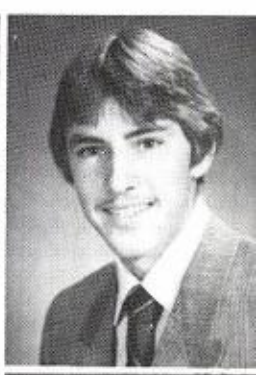

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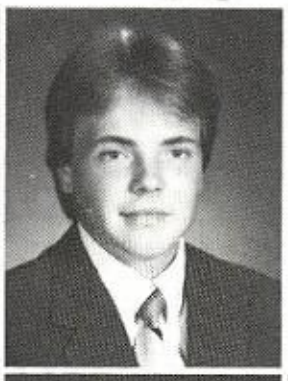

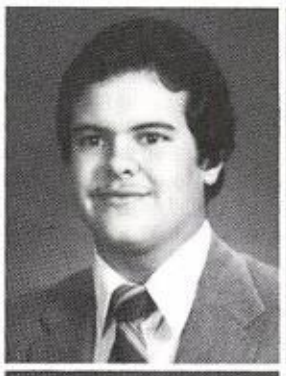
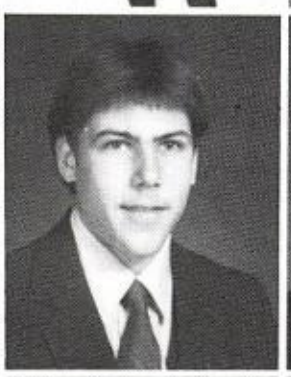

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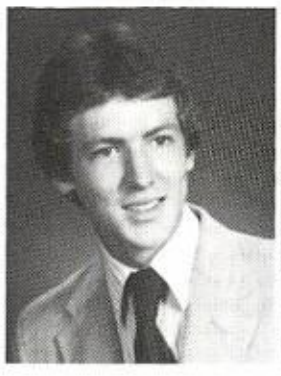
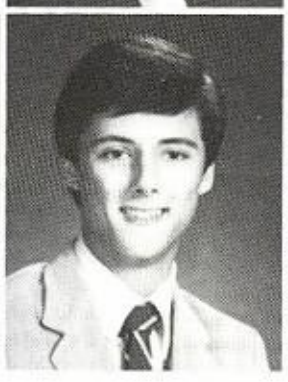
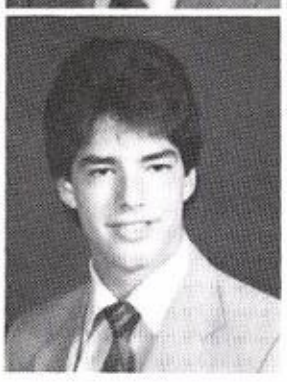





Much to Mooch

"Do you have a black pen I can borrow? Can I use some of your graph paper? Let me have some gum."

That was the standard reportoire of the moocher. Moochers. They were usually good, close friends who didn't hesitate to take advantage of another friend's generosity or good fortune.

"If I need anything from anyone I just ask," Eric Tompson explained his fool-proof technique. "And a smile gets a long way. And if even that doesn't work — I grab and run."

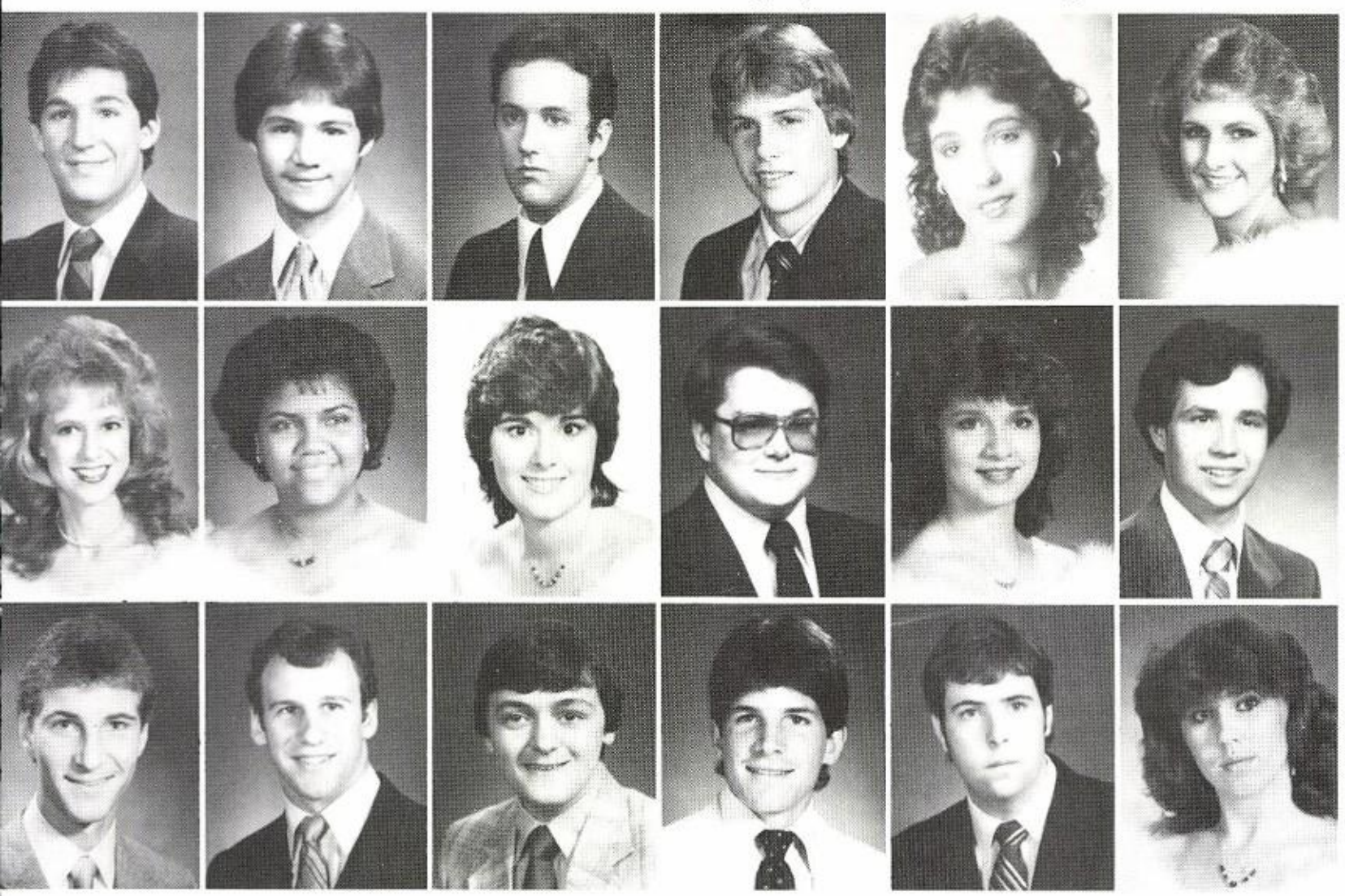
The most notorious moochers who roamed the hallways in search of goods and services included the likes of Eric Thompson, Matt Beniot, Andre Abadie, Craig Richardson, Jeff Hamic, Kim Martin, Jan Gwatney, Keri Forbess, Denise Bridges, Bethyn Dawson, Bart Ezell, Gillis Morin, and Matt Wallace. They were the most famous, but anyone could plead guilty to an act of mooching at one time or another. Whether it was begging for a french fry or 25¢ or having a pencil sharpened, the ability to be a first-class moocher was in anyone's power.

Hunger, it seemed, was a trait common to, and endured by all moochers. The sight of gum before lunch could spark off a small-scale riot in a previously tranquil classroom. Most people could afford to be generous to the starving moocher.

"I don't mind lending things," commented Bobby Bullard. "I like to get what I lent back, but not when it comes to food. Then I just want to get a favor at a later time usually the next day."

Steve Hooter had his own method of dealing with moochers. "If someone wants something from me and I'm in a good mood, I'll say 'OK.' But, if I'm in a bad mood, I'll go, 'Here take it! Take it!'"

No one loses either way.



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Out of the Cocoon and Into a Butterfly

Three ... two ... one ... zero. Blast off! Like a cork out of a shaken bottle, eighteen-year-olds everywhere leap head first into adulthood.

With a skip in their step, the legals march with heads held high into long-forbidden places. But always keeping in mind that a little discretion goes a long way.

Getting a license at fifteen and R-rated movies at seventeen, it seems to take some of the punch away from the big 1-8. Even though, saying those two magical words "I'm eighteen" will get you farther than any license.

Those words will also add more responsibility to your life. Boys become men as they register for the draft and girls mature into women as puppy love turns into a commitment. And all eighteen-year-olds get the right to use or abuse their voting privileges as they see fit. "After all the parties, turning eighteen turned out to be more than a big celebration," explained Mike Gabbert.

As the big day comes closer the hype builds and builds until it shadows the actual event. Larry Duchman confirms, "Since the celebrating begins a week in advance of the birthday, it may pass without hardly a notice."

Coming of age in today's society may be one of the hardest things we do in our lives. Maturity comes hard and fast for the young caterpillars of today. Watch out for dragonflies, ... somebody's watching you. — CART

EVERY BREATH YOU TAKE. Yearbook class gave Rhonda Gauthreaux a surprise cake to help celebrate her eighteenth birthday.

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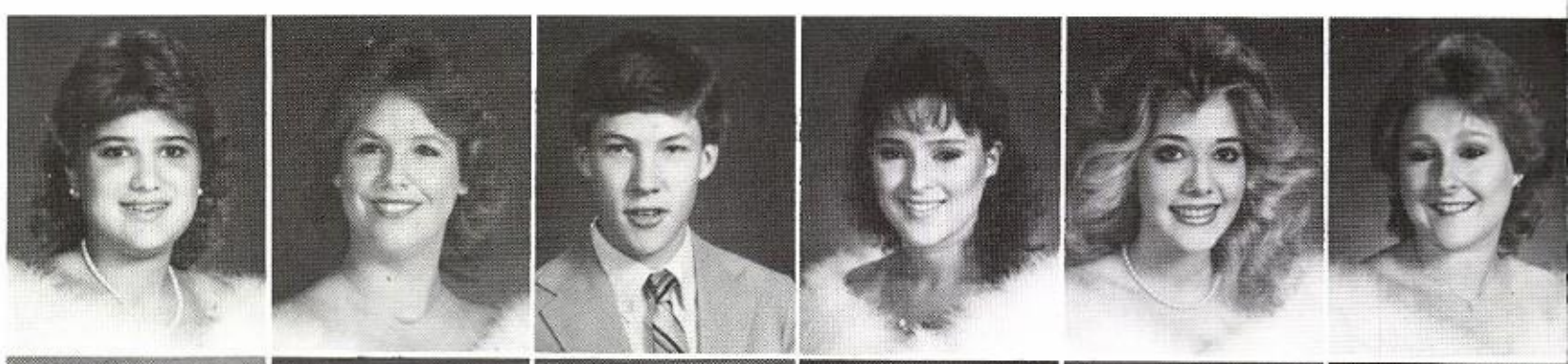

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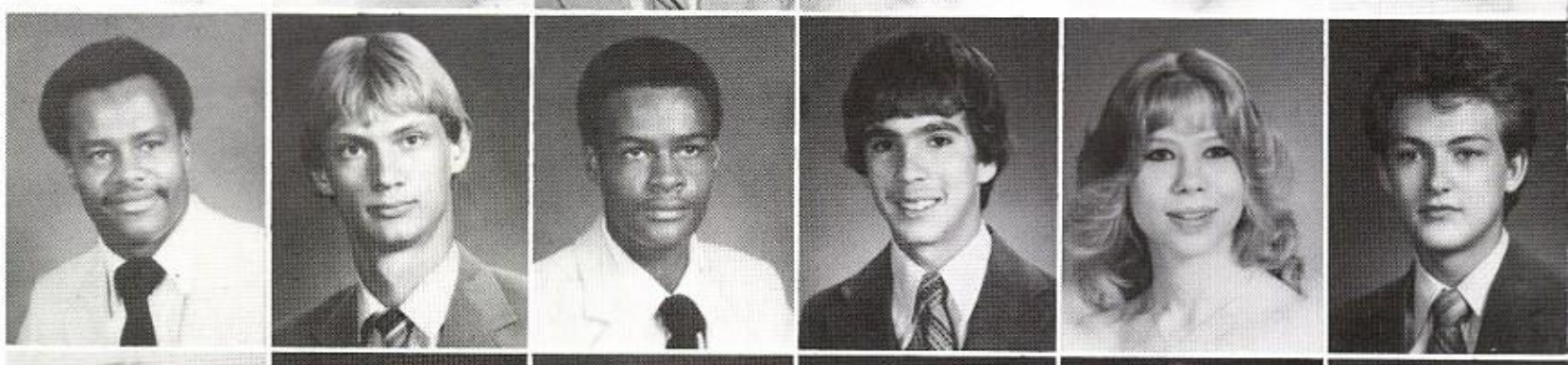

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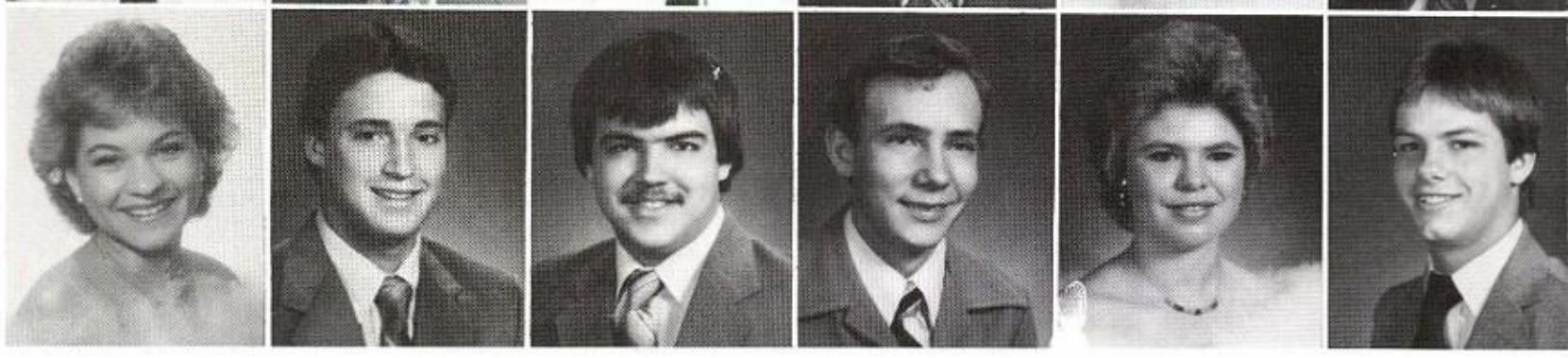
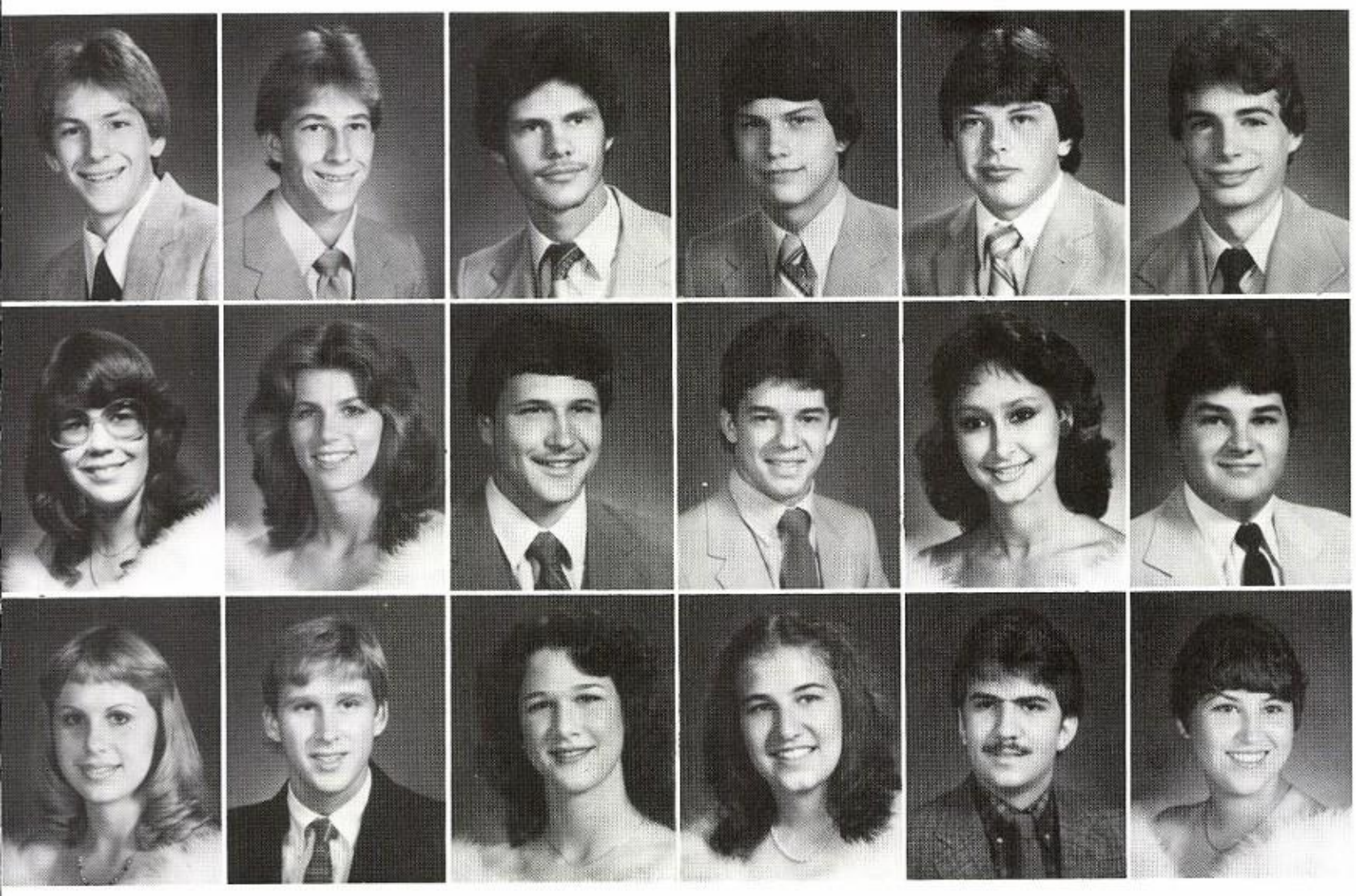


LIFE IN THE FAST LANE. Senior Kim Stagg relaxes in her eighteenth birthday present, a brand new Pontiac Fiero.

ALL WRAPPED UP. Party goers surprised Senior Pauline Hanks at a crawfish boil with an eighteenth birthday present.

CLARKE, LAURA: Octagon 10-12; Student Council 9-12; Tennis Team 11; Who's Who 12. CLIFTON, JO LEE: FBLA 11, 12 (Vice President 12); Band 9; COE 12 (Certificate of Recognition). COAKLEY, JOHN: Cross Country 9-11; Key Club 11, 12; Yearbook Staff 10. COCHRAN, DOUG: Basketball 9-12; Key Club 9-12; NHS 10-12; Baseball 11; Band 9; Boys' State 11. COMEAUX, PAM: FBLA 9; SOS 10,11 (Jr. Rep.); Home Ec. 9; COE 12. CONELLY, TED; Cross Country 9; Football Mgr. 10; Basketball 9, 10. CORMIER, PAUL: Football 9-12 (All-District 11, 12); Track 9-12 (All-District 10, 11); Cross Country 9-11; Chorus 12.CORMIER, SHAWN: Chorus 9. CORMIER, WADE: Zodiac 9; Football 9-11; Track 9-12; Cross Country 12; Basketball 9-11. COX, LAURA: FHA 12; Quill and Scroll 12; French Club 9, 10; Latin Club 9, 10; Newspaper 11. COX, MICHAEL: Interact 10-12; Latin Club 10; French Club 12; FHA 12; Advanced Science Club 11, 12; NHS 10-12; Track 9; Cross Country 9; Tennis 11, 12; 2nd Place Chem. Rally 11; Brewski Brothers 11, 12; Voted Most Knowledgeable 9; Voted Most Likely to Succeed 10, 11. CRYER, CELESTE: Leo 10; Octagon 10, 11; Student Council 9-11 (Sec. 11); Adv. Science Club; Sape Officer; Excellent Rating in Speech Rally 11. CUTRERA, MARK: Football 9-12 (All District 12) (All-State 12); Track 9; Baseball 11, 12; Basketball 9-10; Interact 12. DAIGLE, MELISSA: FHA 9; FBLA 10; Home Ec. 9; COE 12. DAVIS, DAVY: Band 9-12. DEBARGE, RUSSELL: Football 9-12; Track 9-12; Interact 11, 12. DERISE, TRENT: Who's Who 12; Math Rally 11; COE 12; English Academic Award 10; Chemistry Academic Award 11; American History Academic Award 11; Civil Air Patrol (1st Sgt.)

DIETZ, DOUGLAS: Basketball 9, 10; Baseball 11, 12. DIMMICK, LAURA: French Club 12; Adv. Science Club 11; Yearbook 10, 12; Newspaper 9; Chorus 9. DOMINQUE, DEAN: Track 9; Student Council 11. DOUCET, VICKIE: J.V.Cheerleader 9; Bluebelle 10-12 (Co-Captain 12); Homecoming Court 9-12; Homecoming Queen 12; Most Beautiful Girl at Barbe Pageant 9-11; (Winner 11); Key Club Sweetheart 9-12; Basketball Court 10-12; Voted Most Likely to Succeed 9; Voted Best All Around 10; Voted Belle 11; Cal-Cam Representative 10; Octagon 10. DOYLE, CECIL: Basketball 9, 10; Track 9-12; (All-District). DRISCOLL, EDAN: Speech Team (NFL) 9, 10; Softball 9, 11; Octagon Club 10-12; NHS 10-12; (Sgt at Arms 11, 12); Volleyball 11, 12 (All-District 12); Quill and Scroll 11; Newspaper 12 (Affiliate Reporter); Basketball 11; Student Council 11, 12 (Exec. Reporter 12). DUCHMANN, LARRY: Football 9; Track 9; Octagon 11; Who's Who 11. DUCHMANN, LAURA: Octagon 9, 10; Who's Who 11; FHA 9, 11, 12; CHE 12. DUHON, TROY: Octagon 11, 12; Football 9. DUHON, SYLVIA: Leo Club 9-11; Adv. Science Club 10, 11(Jr. Rep.); Student Council 9-11 (Homeroom Rep.); Latin Club 9; French Club 12; NHS 10-12; (Reporter 12); *Barbe Wire* 11, 12 (Editor 12); Basketball 9; Volleyball 10-12 (All-District 11); Louisiana Girls' State 11 (Pres. of City Council); Literary Rally: English I (3rd); English II (overall 1st and 4th — State); English III (1st). DUNN, AMY: Octagon 10-12 (Board Member 12); NHS 10-12 (Sec. 12); Volleyball 11; DAR Award for Civics and American History 11; Achievement Award for Civics 11; Presidential Classroom 12; Student Council 9, 10; Jr. Classical League (Latin) 12.



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EARLY BIRD. Monday mornings bring Trent Frazier, sophomore, very rude awakenings.

DUPLECHAIN, CHRISTINA: Chorus 9-12; (Honor Chorus 9, 10) (Treas. 10, 12) (Sec. 11). DUPUIS, CAROLYN: Chorus: Girls (9 — Star Chorester and Honor Chorus); Intermediate 9, 10 Advanced 11, 12; COE 12. DUPUIS, ROBERT: Octagon 9-12; FBLA 12. EASTMAN, DIETZ: Football 9-12 (All-District 12); Interact 11, 12. EDWARDS, EARL (GREG): Baseball 10, 12; Key Club 9-12. EILAND, CYNTHIA: Chorus 9, 10; Youth Alive 10, 11; FHA 11, 12; Speech 10, 11; CHE. EISEN, ERIC: Band 9-12 (Drum Major 12); 1st Division — Solo Ensemble Festival 9-12; District V Honor Band 9-12 (1st Band); La. All-Star Marching Band 10, 12; Ark.-La.-Tex. Honor Band 11, 12; La. All-State Band 11, 12; Key Club 10-12; NHS 10-12; Tennis Team 11, 12; Adv. Science Club 11, 12 (Senator 12). ELLIS, MELISSA: Basketball 9; FCA 9; Newspaper 10, 11 (Reporter 10) (Sports Ed. 11); Girls Track 10-12; Who's Who 12. FLAVIN, JIM: Basketball 9; Golf 9-12; Interact 10-12; Adv. Science Club 11, 12; Latin Club 11; Brewski Bros. 11, 12. FONTENOT, DENINE: Band 9, 10 (Indoor Guard 9); SOS 11; COE 12; Rodeo 12. FONTENOT, KIM E.: CHE 12; FHA 12; Newspaper 10, 11 (Reporter 10); (Circulation 11). FONTENOT, MELISSA: Octagon 11, 12; Leo 10; NJHS 9; NHS 10-12; Bluebelles 11, 12; Student Council 12; Yearbook 12 (Student Life Ed); Superior Awards at Drill Team Camp 12; French Club 10; Latin Club 12; DAR Awards in Civics and Free Enterprise 10, 11; Jr. Classical League 12; Pep-Squad Officer 9; Who's Who 12; Alternate to Latin Rally 12. FONTENOT, ROBBY: Band 9. FONTENOT, STEPHANIE: Octagon 10-12; (Board Member 11) (Sec. 12); Adv. Science Club 11; Speech NFL 9, 10; Student Council 11; Newspaper 12. FORBESS, KERI: Chorus 9-12 (Superior Solo and Ensemble 9, 10); Outstanding Chorister 10; Superior State and District Vocal Solo and Ensemble 10-12; All-State Choir 10-12; Band 9; Rifle Corps 9-12 (Captain 11, 12); All Star Marching Band 12; MSU Camp Outstanding Rifle; Octagon 9, 10; NHS 10-12. FOWLKES, RICHARD: Zodiac 9-10; FHA 10; FBLA 9. FRUGE, MECHELLE: Winter Guard 9; Newspaper 10, 11; Youth Alive 9-11 (Pres. 11); COE 12. GABBERT, MICHAEL: Band 10-12. GALIPEAU, ANN-MARIE: SOS 11; Library Club 11, 12; Creative Writing Club 12; Newspaper 12. GARY, JOLENE: CHE 11, 12; FHA 11, 12; Rodeo Club 12. GARY, LINDA: Basketball 9; Track Team 10-12 (All-District 10); Volleyball 9-12 (All-District 10-12) (MVP 12); Rodeo Team 9-12; Interact Sweetheart 11, 12; Basketball Homecoming Court 12. GASPARD, GREG: Basketball 9, 10; Football 9; Track 9. GASPARD, PAMELA: Band 9-11; (Honor Band 11); FHA 9; FBLA 12; COE 12 (Conference). GAUTHREAUX, RHONDA: Band 9, 10; Yearbook 11, 12; Who's Who. GOBERT, STEVEN: Band 9-11; Jr. Achievement 12. GRANDY, GREG: Band 9-12; JA 11; Key Club 12. GRANGER, ANNETTE: Chorus 10-12; (Intermediate Treas. 12). GRAY, DAVID: Boys Chorus 12; Intermediate Chorus 12; (Sgt.-at-Arms). GREGG, KELLY: Art Club 11, 12 (Reporter 12); SOS Club 11, 12; FHA/HERO 11, 12; CHE 12. GUIDRY, DANNY: Baseball 10-12; Football 9; Basketball 9; Track 9.

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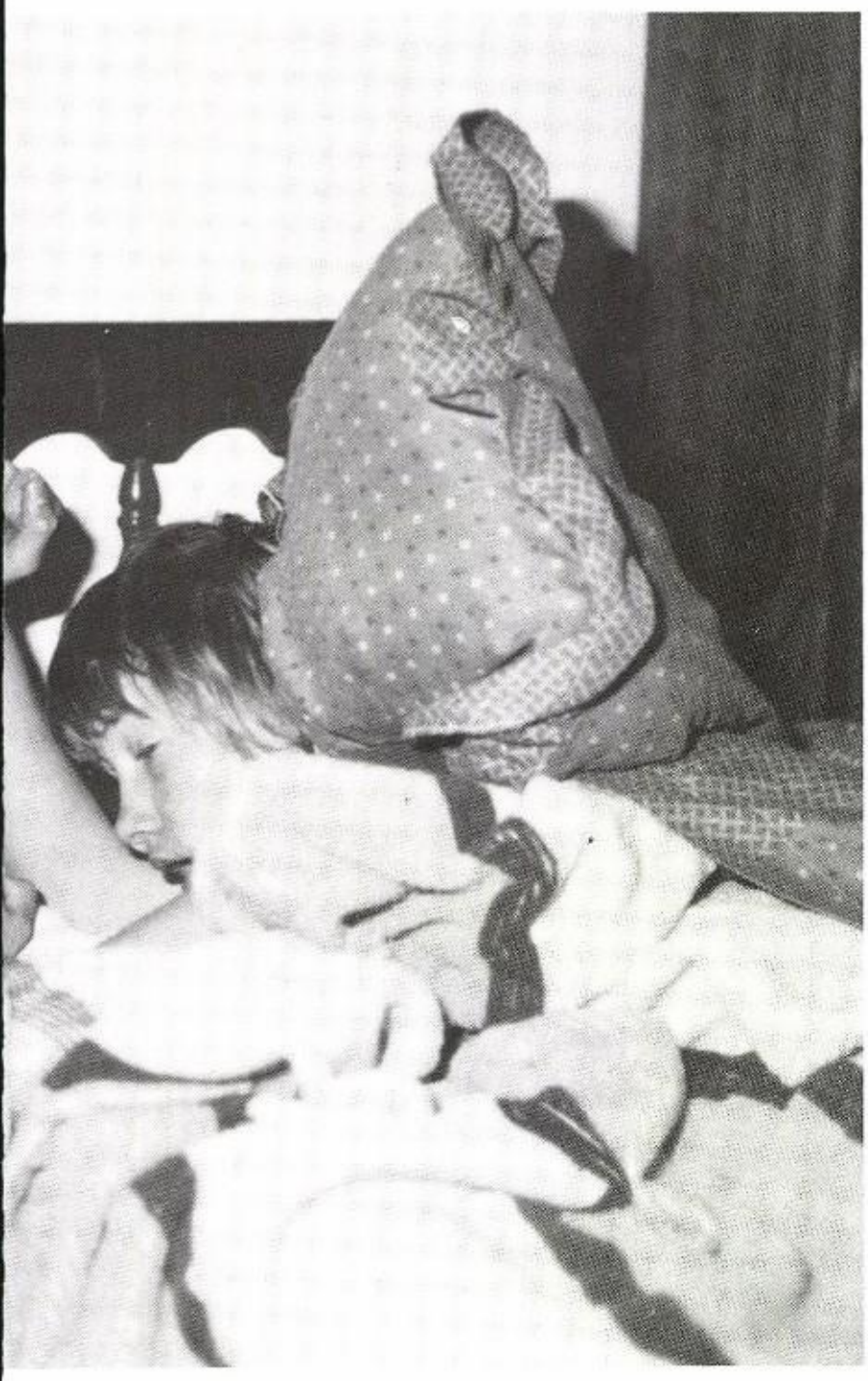


Monday Mournings

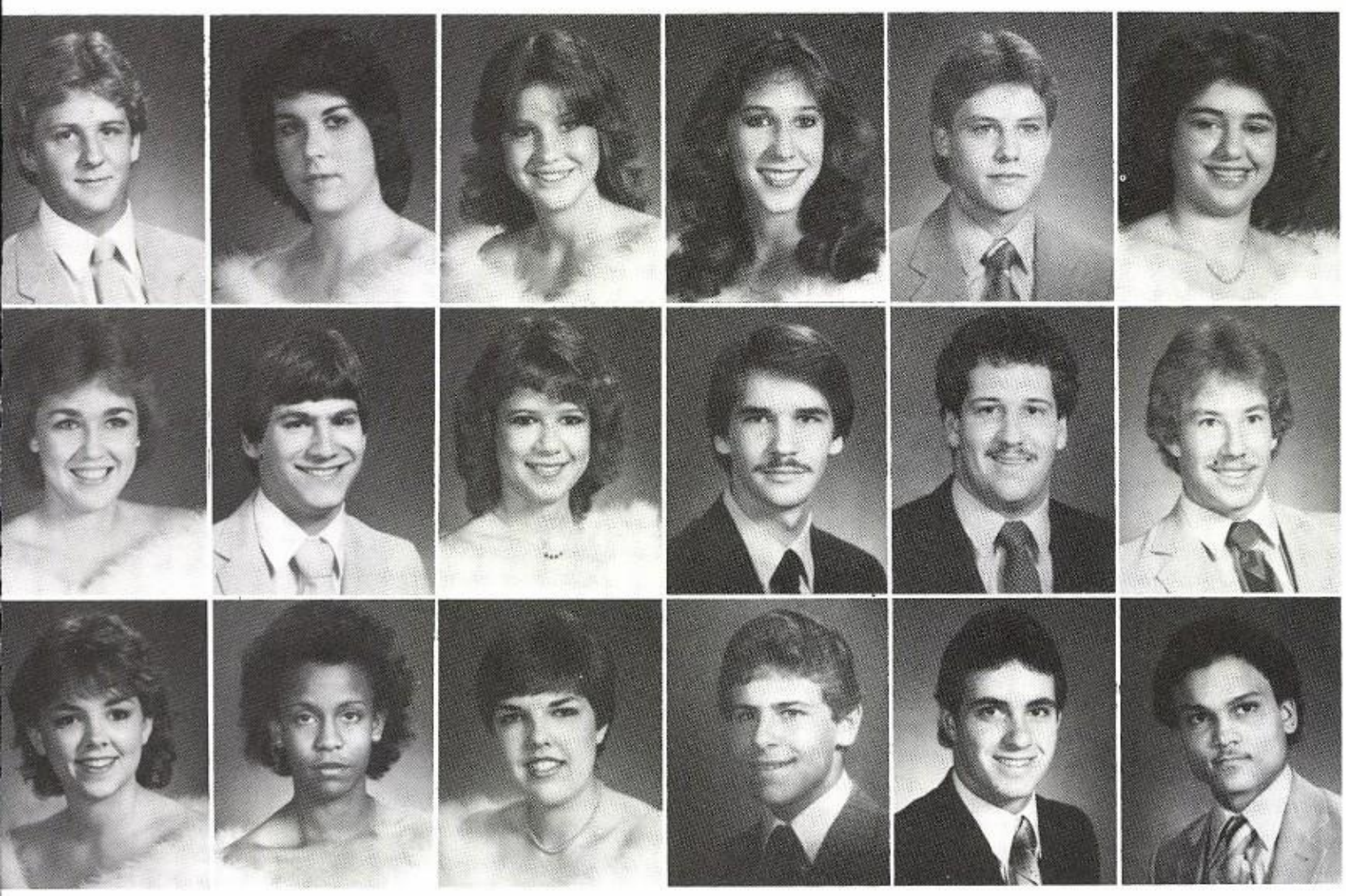
Five days and counting. And counting and counting. Don't even think about Friday, it's countless light-years away. Mondays, usually forty-eight hours long, have two distinguishing qualities: fear and panic. The fear of the impending day of regulation-filled surroundings at school and the panic of turning in the blank sheet of paper that was supposed to be your homework. These, along with added depression and that traditional lousy weather make Mondays as welcome as Armageddon.

The advent of a new week of school begins with wake up calls and ends with the next Monday already on your tail. "After two days of sleeping late, that alarm clock is such a welcome sound, I could scream. It always rings louder on Monday," quipped senior, Laurette Stevens.

"Dreary" describes the monotony of Monday weather. Clouds and rain are staples. Seeing the sun on this day is as common as seeing Halley's Comet. "It's bad enough we have to get up early, but to have such bad weather, it's just too much," griped senior, Jimmy Terrell.

The final, and probably the worst attribute of Mondays is having to attend school. Summer Mondays aren't bad. "School is bad enough on Fridays, but on Mondays it's totally unbearable," complained Cammie Cart.

In spite of all the depression, and despair, there are those who manage to rise above it all, like Charles Vernier. A super cool senior, he woke up one muggy January Monday at 7:45, pulled on his jeans and dashed into first hour seconds before the tardy bell. Quite pleased with his timing, he failed to notice that the jeans he had put on were his mother's Gloria Vanderbilts. His Monday went down the tube but he sure made everyone else's. — CART



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Gray, David
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Gregg, Kelli
Guidry, Danny
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Athletic Supporters

They came in all shapes and sizes, sticking with the athletes through thick and thin. Even to the innocent eye, they were easy to spot, lending support in pouring and humid heat, freezing cold and blowing winds, they were there . . . those wonderful, loyal, lovable fans.

Parents, of course, could always be counted on for support. When sons or daughters were out playing their hearts out, parents were in the stands yelling their hearts out. "My mom went to nearly every basketball game we played," informed freshman Sam Hill. "It was great to know that someone cared that we were playing."

Some parents went above and beyond the call of duty. While they had children that played a sport, that was not the only sporting events they attended. Skip Rogers' family could be seen watching most games, even though their son was not always playing. Mr. and Mrs. Cart were visible at every football and baseball game, cheering the team onto victory.

There were some people, however, who will be remembered. Bill Riviere even had his own fan club. At the varsity basketball games, a group of enthusiastic people could be seen cheering for Bill, whose main position was on the bench.

Fans were dedicated to giving the school team the encouragement to drive them on to victory. They made the victories sweeter, and the losses less bitter. They showed that, in any sport, that all athletes need athletic supporters — CHOZEN

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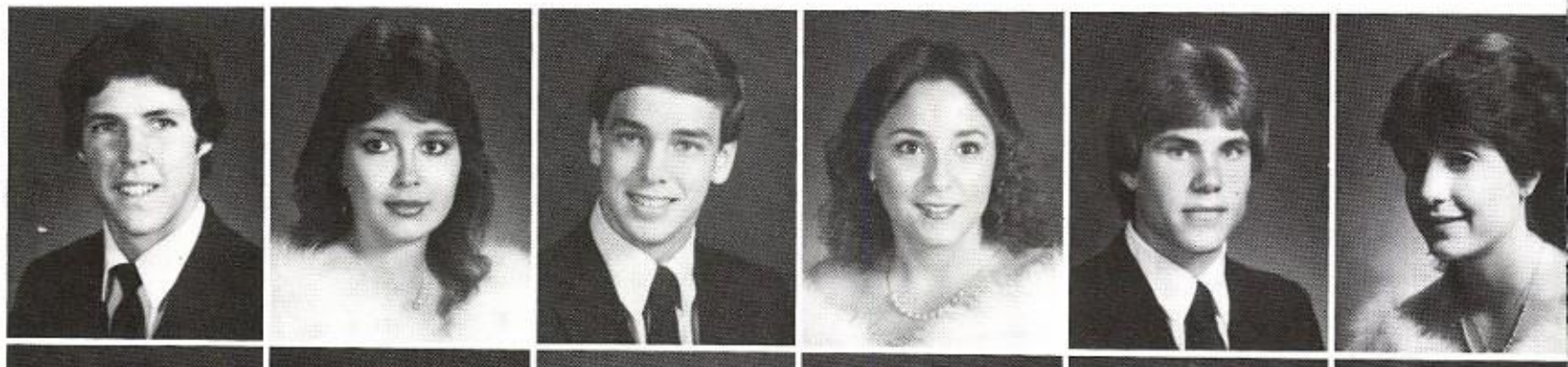

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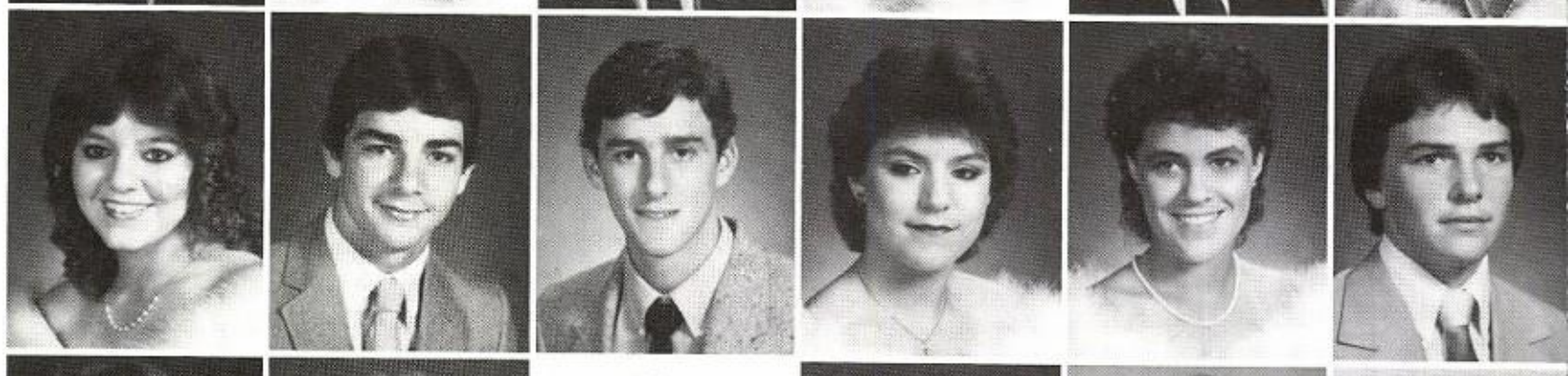

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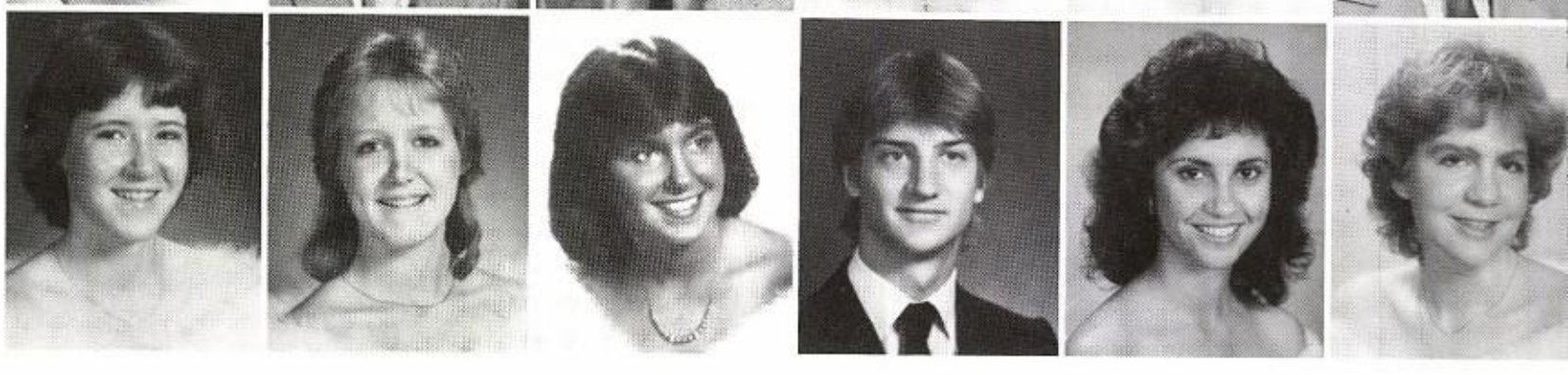
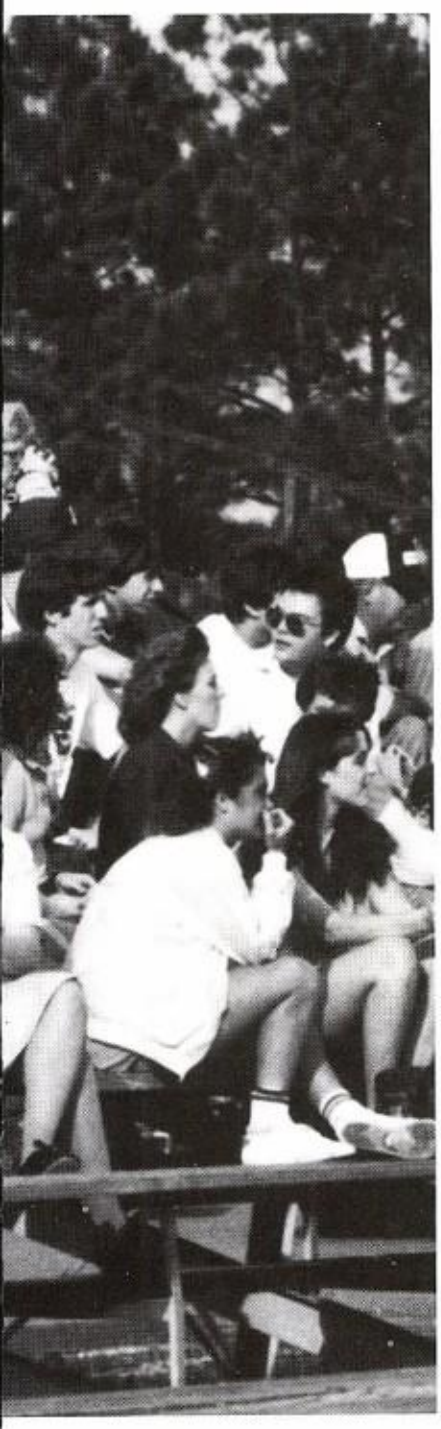
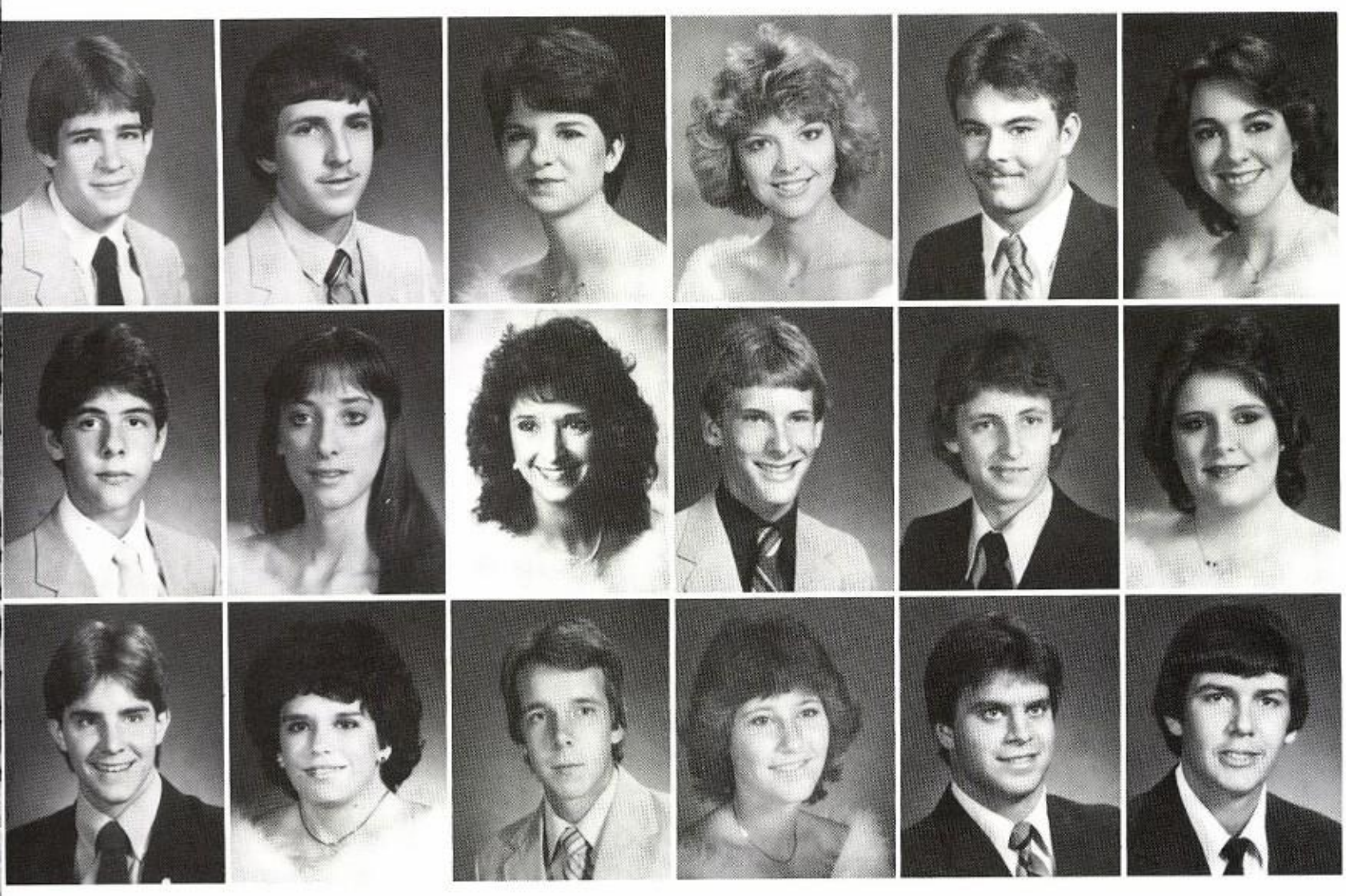




YES! Even baseball games had fans cheer them on to one of their victories.

THE CROWD, watches in anticipation as the basketball team strives for another victory.

GUILLORY, KEVIN: Football 11, 12. GUILLORY, PHILLIP: Football 10, 11; Track 10-12; Basketball 9; Band 9-11. HAMIC, JEFF: Key Club 9-12; Adv. Science Club 11, 12; Student Council 12; N.H.S. 10-12; Yearbook 10, 11. HANKS, PAULINE: Octagon 12; Student Council 9-11; 2nd Place Bookkeeping Lit. Rally 11; Yearbook 12; C.O.E. 12. HARLOW, JORDAN: Octagon 10-12 (Board Member 11), (Reporter 12); Student Council 9-12 (Reporter 10, 12), (Most Valuable Senator 9, 11). HARRINGTON, MELINDA: F.H.A. 9; C.O.E. 12. HARRINGTON, PATRICK: Football 9-12; Twirp Court 12; Track; F.C.A. HAYS, ROBERT: Student Council 10; Adv. Science Club 11, 12; Octagon 11, 12. HEBERT, KIM: Drama Club 9; Track 9; French Club 9; Beta 9; Band 10, 11; Chorus 11; C.O.E. 12; Rifles 11. HEBERT, LAUREN: Tennis Team 9-11; Student Council 9. HEMKER, ALLISON: Flags 10; Rifles 11, 12. HENNING, AMY: Track 9; Cheerleader 10; Volleyball 10, 11. HERR, KATIE: Octagon 9, 10; S.O.S. 11; FBLA 12; Band 9, 10; C.O.E. 12. HIGGINBOTHAM, SHANE: Football 10-12 (All-District 12); Interact Club. HOLLIER, CYNTHIA: F.B.L.A. 9, 10, 11; Girls Chorus and Ensemble 11; Zodiac Jayceees 10, 11; C.O.E. 12. HUGHES, BELINDA: Speech 9; U.S.L. Foreign Language Fest. (Latin I 9 "Excellent"; Latin II 11 (Superior); Who's Who 11; F.B.L.A. 12; Library 12. HUTCHINS, JIM: Basketball 9-11; Octagon 11, 12; Brewski Bros. 11, 12; Golf 12. HYATT, REBECCA: Octagon 10, 11; Racquetball 9, 10; Adv. Science Club 11; Yearbook Club 9; Yearbook 10-12 (Lay-Out Ed. 11); Student Council 9, 10; Youth Alive 10-12; (Sec. 11). INGALLS, CHARLES: Band 9-12; District Honor Band 11, 12; All-Star Marching Band 11; Trumpet Section Sgt. 11, 12. JENKINS, CYNTHIA: Leo Club 10; Latin Club 11, 12; D.A.R. Award; N.H.S. 10-12; V.-Pres. 12; S.O.S. 11, 12 (Treas. 12); Adv. Science Club 11. JINKS, MELINDA (NICOLE): Bluebelles 10-12; Interact Sweetheart 10-12; Student Council 10, 11; Homecoming Court 12. JOHNSON, BRIAN: Football 10-12 (All-District 12); Who's Who 12; Ducks Unlimited; Track 10. JOHNSON, MELANIE: Speech (N.F.L.) 9-11; F.B.L.A. 12; C.O.E. 12. JUDICE, GREG: Octagon 10-12; Speech Rally 12; Jr. Achievement 12; Football 10; Who's Who 11. JUNKER, PENNY: Adv. Science Club 11; N.H.S. 11, 12; Creative Writing Club 12. KARKALITS, KAREN: Key Club 10-12; Leo Club 9; Octagon 10, 11; F.H.A. 11; Student Council 9, 10; Voted Miss Leadership 9, 10. KASPER, JOHN: Key Club 10-12; N.H.S. 10-12; Golf 9-12; Cross Country 10, 11; Brewski Brothers 12. KEETER, MONIQUE: Zodiac Jaycees 10, 11; Top Teens of America 9-12; F.B.L.A. 10, 11; Girls Chorus 11; Intermediate Chorus 11; C.O.E. 12; Girls' Ensemble 11. KIBODEAUX, CHARMAINE: Band 9, 10; Leo 9. KING, DALLAS W. IV: Latin 11; Adv. Science Club 11; Student Council 10-12; Chorus 9-11; Who's Who 11; Speech Rally 12; Jr. Achievement 12. KINGERY, COLLEEN: Choir 9-12; Track 12, Basketball 10. KIRCUS, TRACEE: Chorus 9.



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Kibodeaux, Charmaine

King, Butch
Kingery, Colleen
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Kircus, Trace
La Bouve, Blaine
LaGrange, Gerald

News Flash

Believe it or not, students at one point during the day discuss topics relevant to the time. It may not look like a Mensa reunion, but, at least, it disproves the theory of teenage non-involvement in current affairs.

One of the topics under scrutiny was the surprise U.S. invasion of the small island of Grenada. 1900 Marines ousted the Cuban-support government in four days of fighting and the bulk of the men were home for Christmas.

The real hotbed, Lebanon, headlined when the Israelis forced Yasser Arafat out of Beirut and President Reagan sent Marines in as part of an international peace-keeping force. "The Marines didn't help any, all it did was kill some more Americans," concluded Laura Duchmann. A truck exploded in the compound killing 259 Marines.

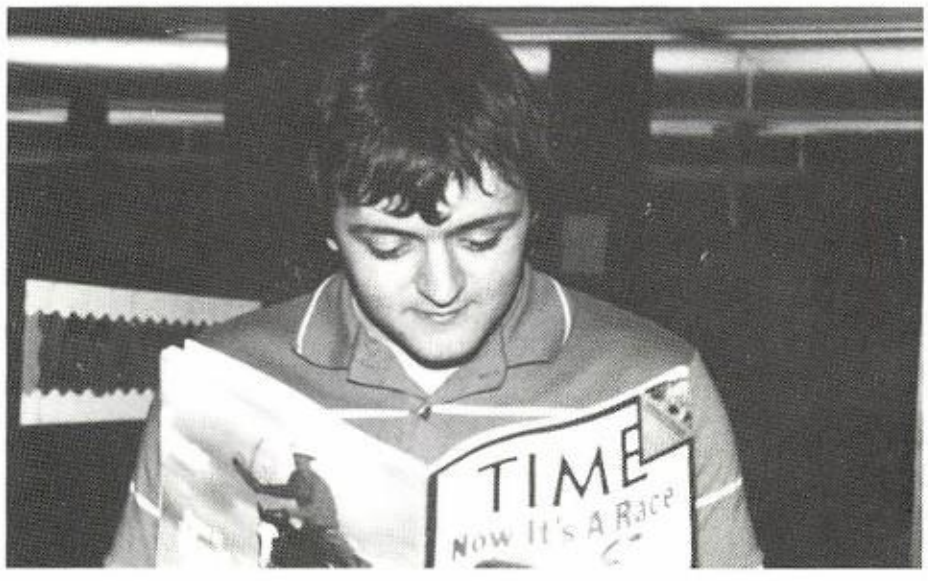
Meanwhile back on the homefront another battle was heating up. This one between ex-governor Edwin Edwards and incumbent David Treen. As the November voting date neared, the money kept mounting. When the dust had cleared a record 20 million dollars had been spent and Edwards was the winner, gaining over 60 percent of the vote. "He won because he related more to the people, they could understand him," explained Pam Gaspard.

Relations between the U.S. and Russia fell apart again when a Korean plane carrying over 200 passengers unexplainedly flew into Soviet air space and was coldly shot down by the Russians. But, the Soviet-American picture changed suddenly when President Yuri Andropov died. Even though the Russians quickly moved Knonstatin Chernenko into the powerful position.

Locally, all was not a bed of roses either. Karl Peltz, water company chairman, resigned when it was discovered that he had spent $24,000 on travel expenses in the past year. As a result, the company put new restrictions in the rule book. The entire community was saddened when a security guard at one of the picket sights was shot. This ballooned into U.S. Senate hearings on labor relations in the area and led to the re-opening of the FBI investigation of local labor unions.

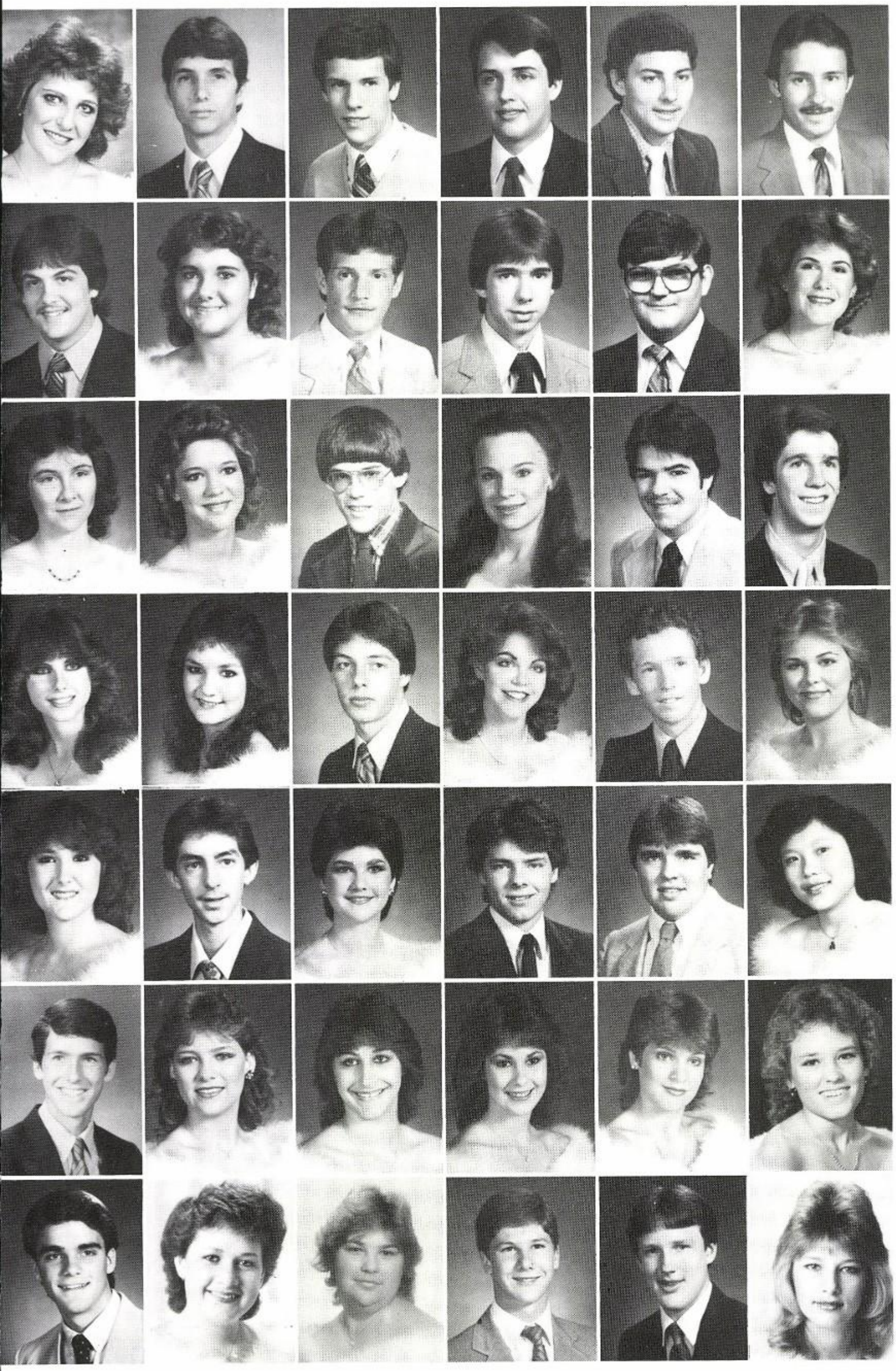
It was a year of sadness and joy, turmoil and peace, and continual change. We changed with it and were changed by it. Alternately participating and watching, we weren't always sure how we felt about it. But we knew without doubt it was our year. — CART.

LAMBERT, MICHELLE: Girls Chorus 12. LAMBERT, SHEILA: Student Council 9, 12; Octagon 12; Bluebelles 12; F.H.A. 12; Who's Who 11. LASHBROOKE, ANDREW: French Club 12; Adv. Science Club 12; Baseball 9; Debate 9; Speech 9; Soccer 9, 10. LATHAM, MICHAEL: Football 9-11; 2nd Place World Geography Lit. Rally 9. LEBATO, PAM: Octagon Club 10, 11; Tennis Team 9-12; America's Outstanding Names and Faces 11. LEBERT, JIM: Football 9-12; Baseball 11, 12. LEBLEU, SCOTT: Chorus 9-12. LEDOUX, KEITH: Who's Who; Golf; Baseball Booster. LEGER, JUDE: Band 9-12 (Officer 12). LEJEUNE, RHONDA: Basketball 9-12 (Best Defensive Player 11) (Sweet Sixteen Tournament 11); Track 9 (Best Field 9); Cheerleader 10, 11; Student Council Historian 11; Homecoming Court 11; F.T.A. 10, 11; F.C.A. 11. LEMAIRE, JUNE: Chorus 9-12.LEMLEY, AMANDA: Band 9-12; Yearbook 10; Chorus 10, 11; Track 10; 1st Place Superior Trio. Lit. Rally 11. LUNDY, MARK: Octagon 10-12 (Treas. 12); Tennis Team 9-11; Boys' State 11; Student Council 10, 11. LUSK, SHIRLEY R.: S.O.S. 11, 12; Speech Award 11. MALLETT, ANNA: Rodeo Club 11; C.O.E. 12. MANUEL, LISA: Band 9, 10; F.B.L.A. 11, F.H.A. 12; Talent Show 12; Bluebelles 12. MARCON, MAUREEN: Octagon 10-12 (Historian 11) (V-Pres. 12); Student Council 10, 11 (Reporter 11); Adv. Science Club 10, 11 (Jr. Rep.); N.H.S. 10-12; Yearbook 11-12 (Organization Ed. 11) (Ed. 12); Girls' State Delegate 11; Presidential Classroom 12; Voted Miss Originality 10, 11; Basketball 9; C.L.C. 9. MARSHALL, EVERETT: Cross Country 11, 12 (3rd in District); Track 11, 12. MARSHALL, MARY ELLEN: French Club 9; Latin Club 11, 12; Adv. Science Club 11, 12; N.H.S. 12; S.O.S. 11, 12; Yearbook 12; Medical Exp. 12. MARTIN, TRACY: Girls' Chorus 9, 12; Adv. Chorus 12. MCCOMBS, RENEE: Leo Club 9, 10; Varsity Cheerleader 10-12; Basketball Court 12; Octagon 12; C.H.E. 12; F.H.A./H.E.R.O. 12. MACGEE, DARRELL: Football 9-12; F.C.A. 11. MCGEHEE, JOHN: Octagon 10, 11; Interact 12; Basketball 9-12; Golf 12; Track 9-11; Student Council 11. MELOTT, JAMES: French Club 9; Art Club 10; Adv. Science Club 11. MELTON, KELLY: Octagon 10-12; Bluebelles 10-12; Superior Rating in Drill Team Super Star Camp 12; Powder Puff Escort 12; Presidential Classroom 12; Student Council 9-11 (Sec. 9, 10) (Hist. 11); Tennis Team 9, 11; Barbe Beauty Pageant 9, 11; Hugh O'Brien Leadership Foundation 10. THOMPSON, CAROL: Band 9-12 (Officer 12); Chorus 12 (Officer 12); Beta Club 9-11 (Officer 11); Student Council 9, 10; Track 9; Basketball 9; F.C.A. 9 (Officer); 1st Place State Beta Talent; Contraband Honor Band 12; All-State Chorus 12; Who's Who 10, 11. MENARD, SANDY: S.O.S. 11, 12; Adv. Science Club 11; Chorus 12. MERE, DANNY: Baseball 10-12; Interact 12; Student Council 9. MIAU, GLORIA: Music Club 9, 10. MILLER, JOHN: Student Council 9-12 (Pres. 9, 10) (Treas. 11) (Exec. Pres. 12); Key Club 10-12 (Board Member 10) (Pres. 11, 12); N.H.S. 10-12; Tennis Team 9-12; Basketball 9; Boys' State 11 (Jr. Counselor); Presidential Classroom 12; Voted Mr. Leadership 9-11; Adv. Science Club 11, 12;1Brewski Brothers 11, 12. MIRE, MARCIA (GWEN): Band 9, 10; Softball 10-12. MOE, LESLIE: Chorus 9. MONIER, DAPHNE: Chorus 9-12 (Tres. 9, 10) (Sec. 12); Bluebelles 10, 11; Contraband Dancers 11, 12. MOON, ANNA: Student Council 9; Flags 10-12 (Co-Captain 11) (Captain 12); S.O.S. 11, 12 (Sgt.-at-arms 12). MOORE, KELLEY: Band 9, 10; Chorus 10; Softball 10, 11; Volleyball 11; Student Council 9; S.O.S. 12. MOORE, TOM: Basketball 9-12 (Captain 12); Baseball 10-12; Football 9; Student Council 10-12 (Reporter 11) (V-Pres. 12); Key Club 9-12 (Treas. 12); Twirp Court 11, 12; Brewskie Brothers 11, 12; F.C.A. 9,10. MOREIN, SUSAN: F.H.A. 9; F.B.L.A. 12 (Sec.); C.O.E. 12. MORGAN, JULIE: Chorus 9-12 (Librarian 11); Concert Chorale 10-12 (Pres. 12); Pres. Adv. Chorus 12. MORTIMER, KEITH: Chorus: Men's 10-12 (Pres. 12); Concert Chorale 11, 12 (V. Pres. 12); Intermediate 12; Mr. Fezzing in "Scrooge."



KEEPING UP WITH THE TIMES. Senior Charles Cart reads about the race for the Presidential nomination between Gary Hart and Walter Mondale.

IN MEMORY OF. Junior James Tarver puts the flag at half-mast in memory of the 18 marines who were killed in Lebanon.



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Leger, Jude
Le Jeune, Rhonda

Le Marie, June
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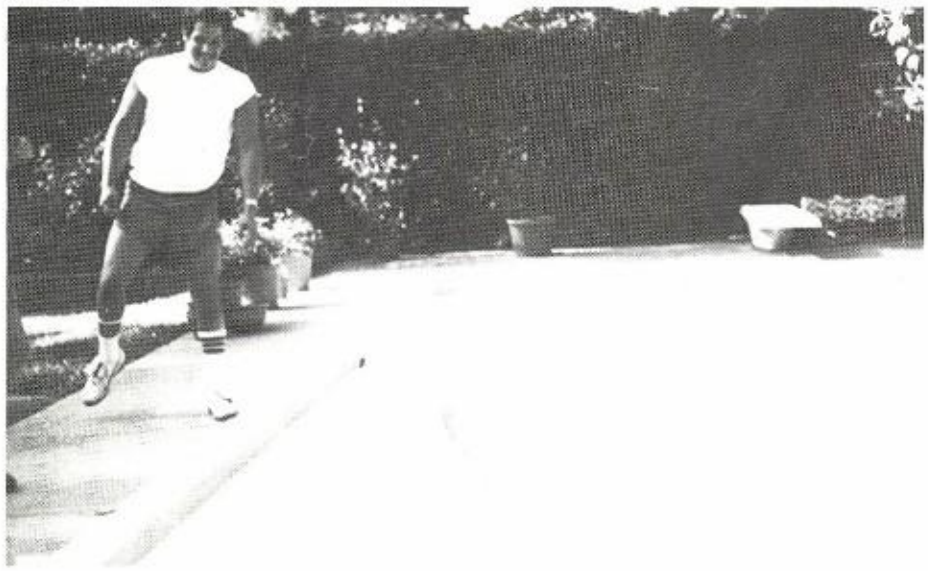
HEAD OVER HEELS. Senior, Jim Gray, throws the chaperone, Ms. Gwen Lancon, in the pool of a pool party.



PEELIN' OUT. Jeff Hamic, senior, peels crawfish in the yard with a few of his close friends.

MYERS, WENDY: Student Council 9-12; Octagon 12. NASSAR, WILL: Basketball 9-12; Interact 10-12. NELSON, JARED: Band 9, 10, 11 (All-State 10-12; All-District 9, 10; All-Region and All-Area 10; Most Valuable Boy 9; Drum Major 9); Chorus (All-District 9, 10; All-Region 9,10; All-Area 10; Honor 10, 11; All-State 10-12; Concert Choir 9, 10; Concert Charale 10-12; Adv. 11, 12 — Pres.); Most Talented 11. NICHOLSON, BILL: Track 9, 10; Cross Country 9, 10; Interact 10-12; (V. Pres. 12); Powder Puff Maid 12; Student Council 10-12 (V. Pres. 12); Art Club 12 (Treas. 12); Who's Who 11. OGDEN, TANYA: Band 9-12; Adv. Chorus 11, 12; Intermediate Chorus 12. OGEA, LANCE: Football 9-12. OWEN, JOHN (CHRIS): Octagon 12; Football 9; Basketball 9; Track 9; Student Council 12; Powder Puff Queen 12. OXLEY, JOSEPH: Football 9-11; Track 9. PEACOCK, JAMES: Latin Club 11, 12; Boys' State 11; Jr. Class Pres.; Sr. Class Sec.; Interact 11, 12 (Sec. 12); Ad. Science Club 11, 12. PELTZ, JEFF: Key Club 9-12 (Sec. 11, 12); Basketball 9, 10; Golf 10-12; Cross Country 11; Adv. Science Club 11, 12; FCA 10-12; Who's Who 12. PERRON, JEFF: Football 9, 10, 12. POWELL, CRAIG: Key Club 9-12; Speech/Debate (NFL) 9-12; Quill & Scroll 9; NHS 10-12; Adv. Science Club 10-12; Leadership I 11. PRATER, DANNEL: FHA/HERO; CHE (11, 12). PRUDEN, DEBBIE: Bluebelles 11, 12; GHA 10-12 (Sec. 10), (Pres. 11, 12); Fresh. Class Treas.; Class Rep. 10, 11; Bio-Chem 9; Art Club 9; Leo 10, 11; Octagon 12. REYNOLDS, JENNIFER: Flag Corps 9-12 (Co-Captain 12); Superior Vocal Solo and Ensemble Festivals 9, 10; Adv. Chorus 9; NHS 11, 12; All-Star Marching Band 12. REYNOLDS, LINDA: Honor Chorus 9, 10; Flags 10; Rifles 11. RHODES, CINDY: FHA 9; Flags 10; Rifles 11, 12; SOS 11, 12. RICHARDSON, CRAIG: Octagon 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10; Student Council 9-11; Yearbook Staff 12; French Club 11; Presidential Classroom 12; Tennis Team 9, 10. RIVIERE, BILL: Basketball 9-12; Key Club 10-12; NHS 11, 12; Latin Club 11, 12; Adv. Science Club 11; Boys' State 11. ROBERTS, CARMEN: Leo Club 10; Student Council 10, 11 (Alt. 11); SOS 11, 12; (Hist. 12); NHS 12; DAR Award in Am. History. ROBERTSON II, CLARENCE ARTHUR (ROBBIE): Band 9-12; Individual Effort 11; Who's Who 12. ROGERS, MIKE: Rodeo Team 9-12. ROZAS, RHONDA: FHA/HERO CHE (11, 12). SALLIER, RONALD: Art Club 12. SANDERS, TONYA: FHA 9, 12; (Reporter 12); Octagon 12; Student Council 9, 10, 12 (Alt. 10), (Exec. Senator 12); Newspaper Staff 10, 11 (Affiliate Reporter 12); Who's Who 12; Award for Circulation in Journalism 10; Library Aid 12. SARGENT, PENNY: Octagon 10-12 (Board Member 11), (Co-Hist. and State Board Member 12); FHA 9-12 (President 10), (Advisor 11), (Sec. 12); Home Ec. Rally (3rd Place 9), (2nd Place 10). SAVANT, GREG: Octagon 11, 12; Football 9; Track 9. SAVOY, PAUL: Baskeball 9, 10; Track 9-12. SCHOEN, KARLA: FHA 9-12; Band 10-12; Ducks Unlimited 12. SEE, DAVID: Band 9-12 (2nd Lt. 11), (Captain 12); Honor Band 10, 12; Jazz Band 12. SELF, PAUL: NHS 10-12; Band 9; Leadership 11, 12; Key Club 9 (Lt. Governor 10-12; Dist. Committee Chairman 11, 12). SHAVERS, CHEYL: Track 9-12 (All-District 400, 800, 1600 Relays: State 4th and Regionals 1st); COE 12; FBLA 12. SHREWSBERRY, KEITH: Key Club 9-12; Adv. Science Club 11, 12; Cicil Air Patrol 9-12. SILVIA, NONA: FHA 9; FBLA 12; COE 12. SIMPSON, BRAD: Basketball 9; Track 9, 11. SITTIG, DONNIE: Rodeo Team 9-12; Track 9.

Breakin' Away

Every season had its holiday. Every holiday was celebrated in a certain way. Parties were the favorite methods to celebrate. So when seniors had to face the fact that there wouldn't be as many parties in the future, they knew they needed to have fun while they still had time.

The year's end was the best time for the seniors to frolic. The parties gave time to let off some steam before having to deal with breaking away from a familiar way of life. The parties could be the last chance for get-togethers with the whole gang before everyone goes their own way.

Invitations started passing hands. Invitations to everything from private luncheons and dinners to casual pool parties and crawfish boils. Clubs held year-end banquets as senior members said goodbye to lower-class members and sponsors.

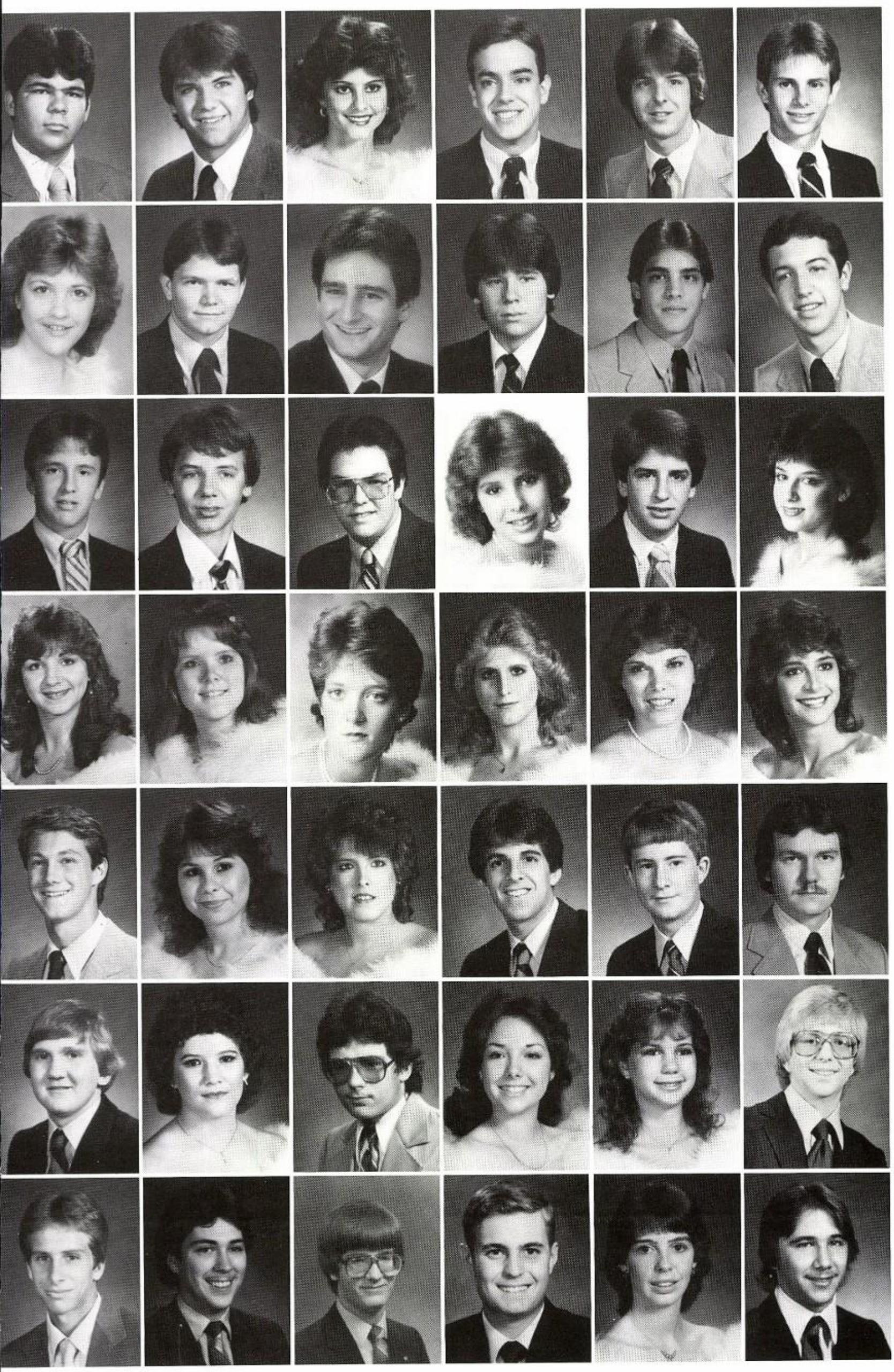
Joey Oxley knew exactly whom to invite to his party. "My senior party is going to be mostly for my close friends. And if anyone crashes it, I'll crash his face. Or maybe I'll crash their par instead."

The ingredients that make up successful senior party include: entertaining theme (Hiring a clow or a magician is not a good idea plenty of food (Try to avoid th elaborate six-course dinner serve by the butler), lots of music (B don't dig out the old Donny O mond albums), and all friends an acquaintances.

"I've been to a bunch of lu cheons," related Cynthia Jenkin "They're really interesting becau you get to have a lot of foods th you've never eaten or even hea of before. And you have to be rea ly polite and know which fork t use."

The conversation at the parti was limited to a few main topic senior trips, colleges, and caree plans. The same questions coul be heard in practically every co versation. Are you going away fo college? Have you received an financial aid? What scholarship have you received? What do yo think it will be like to live awa from home? (Continued pg. 14 . . .

GOSSIP? These three senior girls pick a quiet corner of their party to have a chat.



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Savoy, Paul
See, David
Self, Paul
Shrewsberry, Keith
Silvia, Nona
Sittig, Donnie

Breakin' . . .

What do you plan to major in? What do you want to be by the time you graduate from college?

Possibly the first parties held for seniors was Senior Night at Astroworld. There seniors rode all the rides with seniors from Louisiana and Texas. Many returned home wearing "Huey Lewis and the News-Sports '84" concert T-shirts.

Seniors enjoyed both giving and attending parties. "I don't know which I like better," wondered Kim Stagg. "I like giving parties, but when I attend one, I don't have any responsibilities."

The myriad of parties got a bit confusing for some seniors. They often had to decide between at least two parties on one day. "I'm running out of clothes to wear!" wailed Norma Welch.

Senior parties provided the last chance to party hard before graduation. The process of breaking away had already started. Seniors had their future plans all worked out. As they stepped out of the family nest, they left behind their childhood and adolescence. As they prepared to leave they affected everyone around them. So feverishly delighted were they with breaking away everyone else wanted to join them. But their time will come.

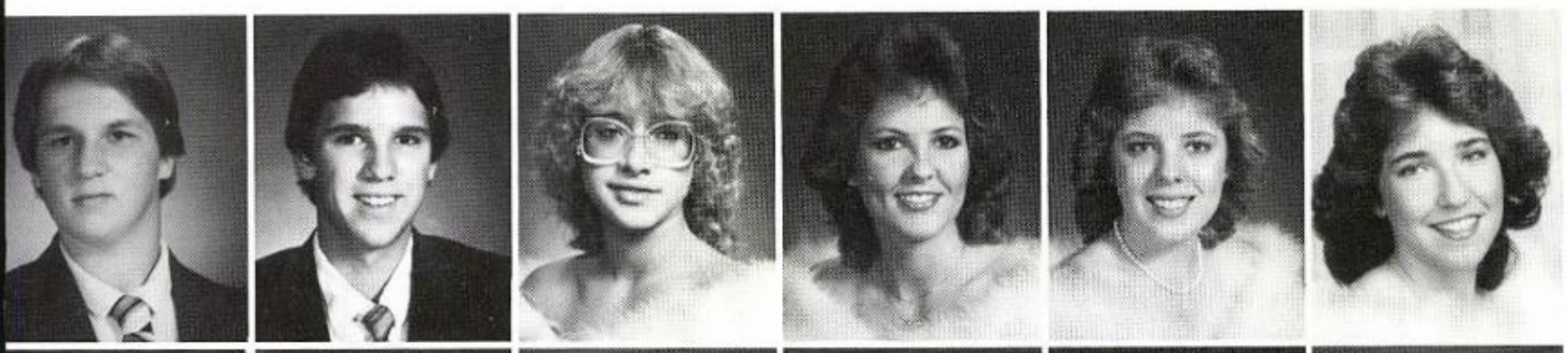
As the seniors went in different directions, they began to realize how they had left certain obligations behind. Except obligations to themselves. — MARSHALL

TOO COLD FOR COMFORT. Senior, Kim Stagg, bundles up after being thrown in at her pool party in Sulphur.

YOU'RE IN MY SUN! Senior Sandy Menard gets some rays while she tries to quench her thirst in the hot sun.

SMITH, KAREN: FHA 12; Chorus 9-12. SMITH, TOMMY: Cross Country 9, 11; Interact 12; Baseball 10-12. SOILEAU, SONYA: Band 9-12; Ducks Unlimited 12. SONNIER, DINA: FHA 9-12; Student Council 9-12; Who's Who 12; SOS 11. STAGG, KIMBERLY: NHS 11, 12; Band 9, 10; SOSO 11, 12 (Sr. Rep.); Yearbook 11, 12 (Ad Ed. 12); Adv. Science Club 11, 12. STEIN, TAMARA: Art Club 10, 11; Quill & Scroll 10, 11; Chorus 12. STEVENS, LAURETTE: Band 9, 10; SOS 11, 12. STEVENSON, SHEILA: Latin Club 11, 12. STRATTON, MIKE: Student Council Alt. 9; Interact 10-12 (Pres. 12). STREETER, JONNI: Band 9-12 (Percussion Sgt. 9, 12; Asst. Quartermaster 9; 1st Lieutenant 12; Wind Ensemble 12; Stage Band 12; Jazz Band 12); Track 9-12; Cross Country 11, 12; Fellowship of Christian Athletes 10, 11; Who's Who 11. TATE, BRETT: Football 9-12; Track 9; Interact 12. TAYLOR, TIM: Student Council 9, 12 (Fresh Treas.), (Sr. Pres.); Octagon 11, 12; Newspaper 11; Powder Puff Court 12; Presidential Classroom 12; Football 9; Golf 9; 1st Place Prose — Creative Writing Contest 10, 11. TERRELL, JIMMY: Tennis 9, 10; Newspaper 12; Honorable Mention in H.S. Art Competition. THIBODEAUX, BRETT: Band 9-12. TRAHAN, CHRISTOPHER: Octagon 10-12 (Hist. 12); Student Council 10-12 (Hist. 12); Newspaper 10, 11; Quill & Scroll 11; Jr. Achievement 10. TRAHAN, JERALD: Key Club 10-12 (Reporter 12); Football 9-12 (All-District 12), (Defensive Player of the Year 12). TRAMMEL, RICK: Football 9-11; Boys Chorus; Powder Puff Co-Head Cheerleader. TUCKER, MARGARET (PEGGI): Band 9-12 (Clarinet Sgt. 11), (Drum Major 12); Basketball 9; Student Council Alt. 9, 10; Honor Band 10-12; All-Star Marching Band 9, 11. TURNER, MELANIE: FHA/HERO 11, 12 (Sec.); CHE. VALIN, MIA: Band 9, 10; FHA/HERO 11, 12; CHE 12; Rodeo Club 12 (President). VEILLON, TRICIA: FHA/HERO 11, 12; CHE 12; Art Club 9, 10; 4-H 9-12. VERNIER, CHARLES: Boys' State 11; Tennis 9-11. VIATOR, STACY: FHA/HERO 12; CHE 12. WAGUESPACK, LEEANN: Octagon 12; Leo 10; FHA 9, 10; Interact Sweetheart 12; Presidential Classroom 12; Who's Who 12; Student Council 10-12 (Treas. 12); Bluebelles 10-12; Voted Most Talented 10; Powder-Puff Queen Escort; La. Lionette All-Atar Dance Team 10; 1st Place in Talent Show 11; 1983 Modern Miss La. WARE, ALLISON: Octagon 10-12; Tennis 9-12; NHS 10-12 (Pres. 12); Leo 9; Key Club Sweetheart 12; Presidential Classroom 12; Yearbook 11, 12; Voted Miss Originality 9; Voted Miss Leadership 11; Adv. Science Club 11; Student Council 9-12 (V. Pres. 10, 11), (Exec. Sec. 12). WEGENER, MARK: Football 9-12; America's Outstanding Names and Faces 10; Who's Who 11; Basketball 9; Tennis Team 9-12; National Forensic League 9-12 (Pres. 11, 12); FCA 10-12; Student Council 10; Adv. Science Club 12; Speech Rally 11, 12. WELCH, NORMA: Band 9, 10; Symphonic Band 10; Jr. Achievement 9-11 (V. Pres. 11); Sea Explorers 10 (Treas.); NHS 10-12 (Treas. 12); SOS 11, 12 (Reporter 12); Adv. Science Club 11, 12 (V. Pres. 12); Bucs Unlimited 11, 12 (Reporter 12). WILLIAMS, PAUL: Football 11; Baseball 12. WILSON, DAVID: Band 9-12; Stageband and Wind Ensemble 11, 12; Honor Band 11, 12; All-Star Band 9. WOJCIECHOWSKI, LISA: Octagon 10-12 (Jr. Board of Directors), (Sr. Pres.); Student Council 10, 11; Tennis Team 9-11; Yearbook 12. WYCHE, KAREN: SOS 11, 12 (Pres. 12); Jr. Achievement 9-11 (Pres. 11); NHS 10-12 (Hist. 12); Adv. Science Club 10-12; Flags 9, 10; Presidential Classroom 12; 1st Place Geometry Lit. Rally 10; Voted Most Likely to Succeed 10, 11.

DUCK DUCK GOOSE. Seniors sit in a circle and devour pounds and pounds of crawfish at the Fisherman's Club.



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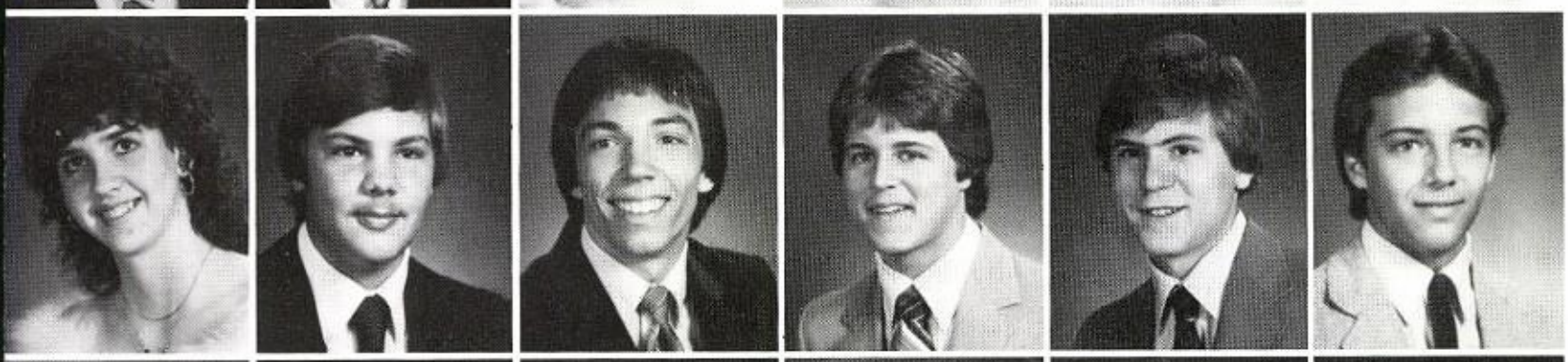

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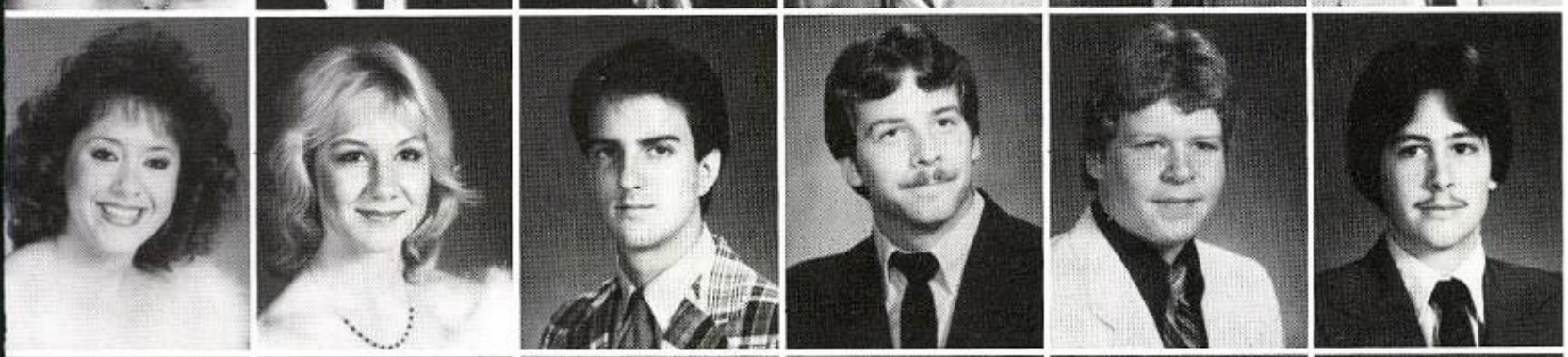

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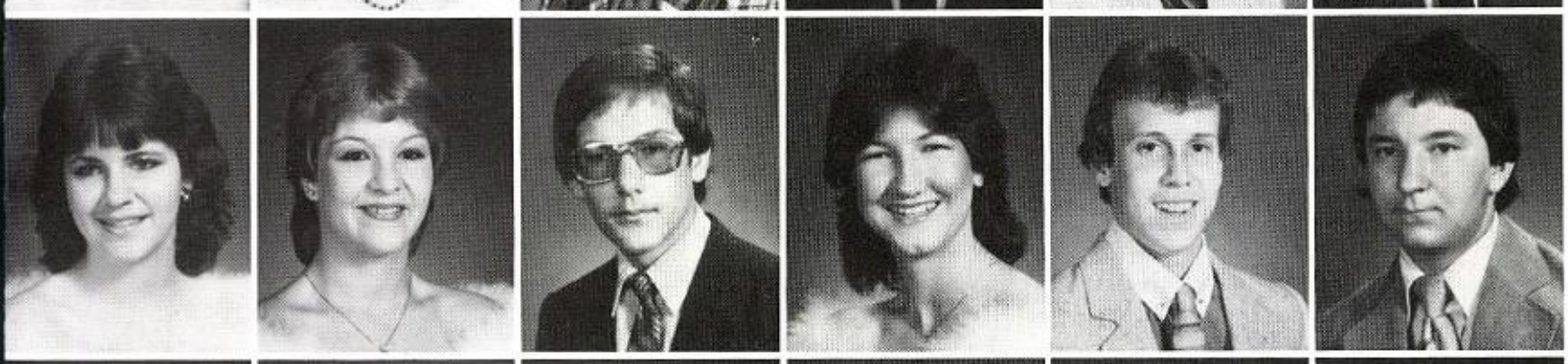

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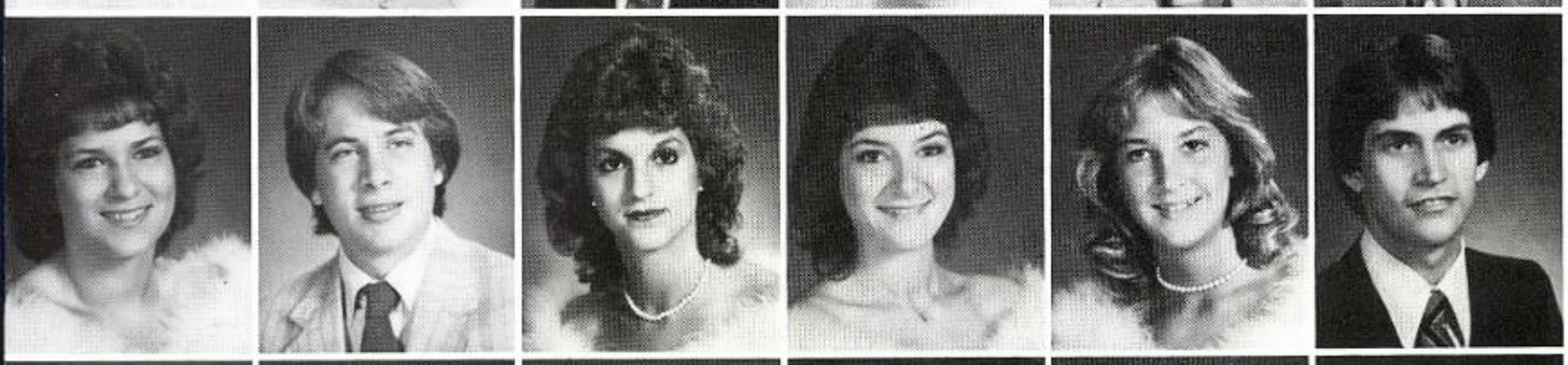

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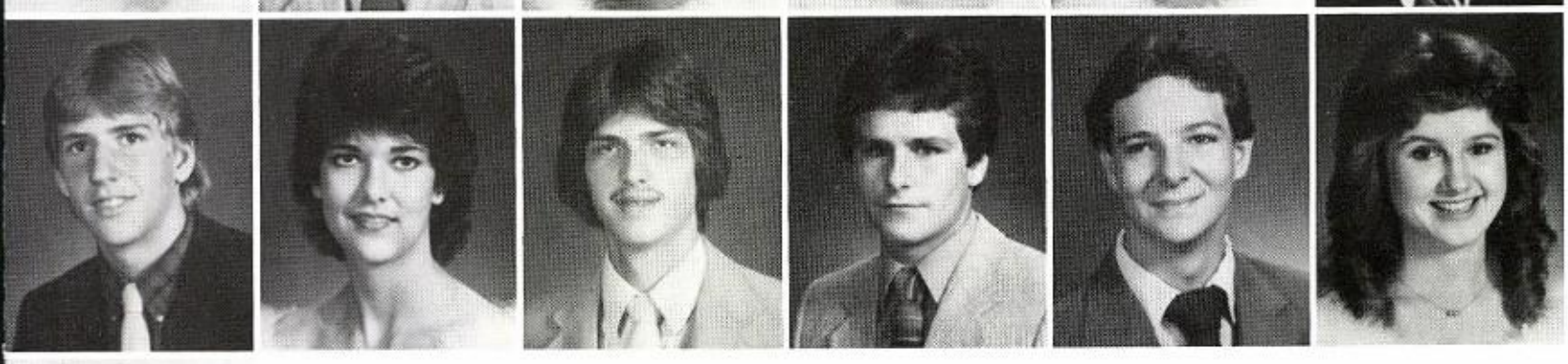
Waguespack, Lee Ann
Wallace, Stephanie
Ware, Allison
Watson, Mac



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Williams, Paul
Wilson, David
Wojciechowski, Lisa

Wyche, Karen

Those Dang Jams

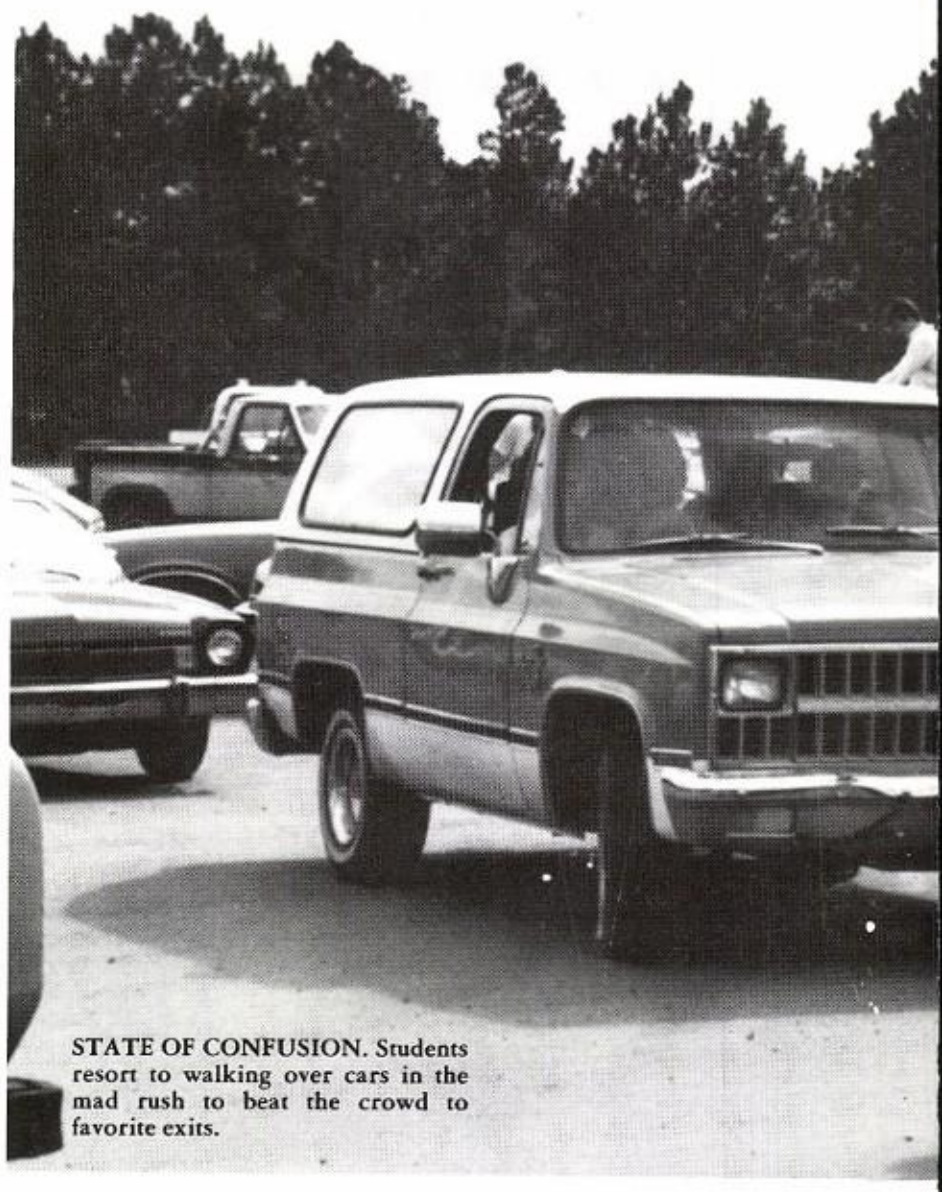
Jams. No, not the one of toast and coffee fame, we're talking major road congestion, here. Barbe's stalled mass of metal has grown to harrowing proportions. Some even rival Houston's legendary stack-ups.

The problem isn't just the amount of cars on the road, it's the lack of exits, or, rather, lack of use of them that's at the heart of the problem. "If everyone wouldn't use West McNeese, we could leave a lot faster," contended junior, Eric Bohdan.

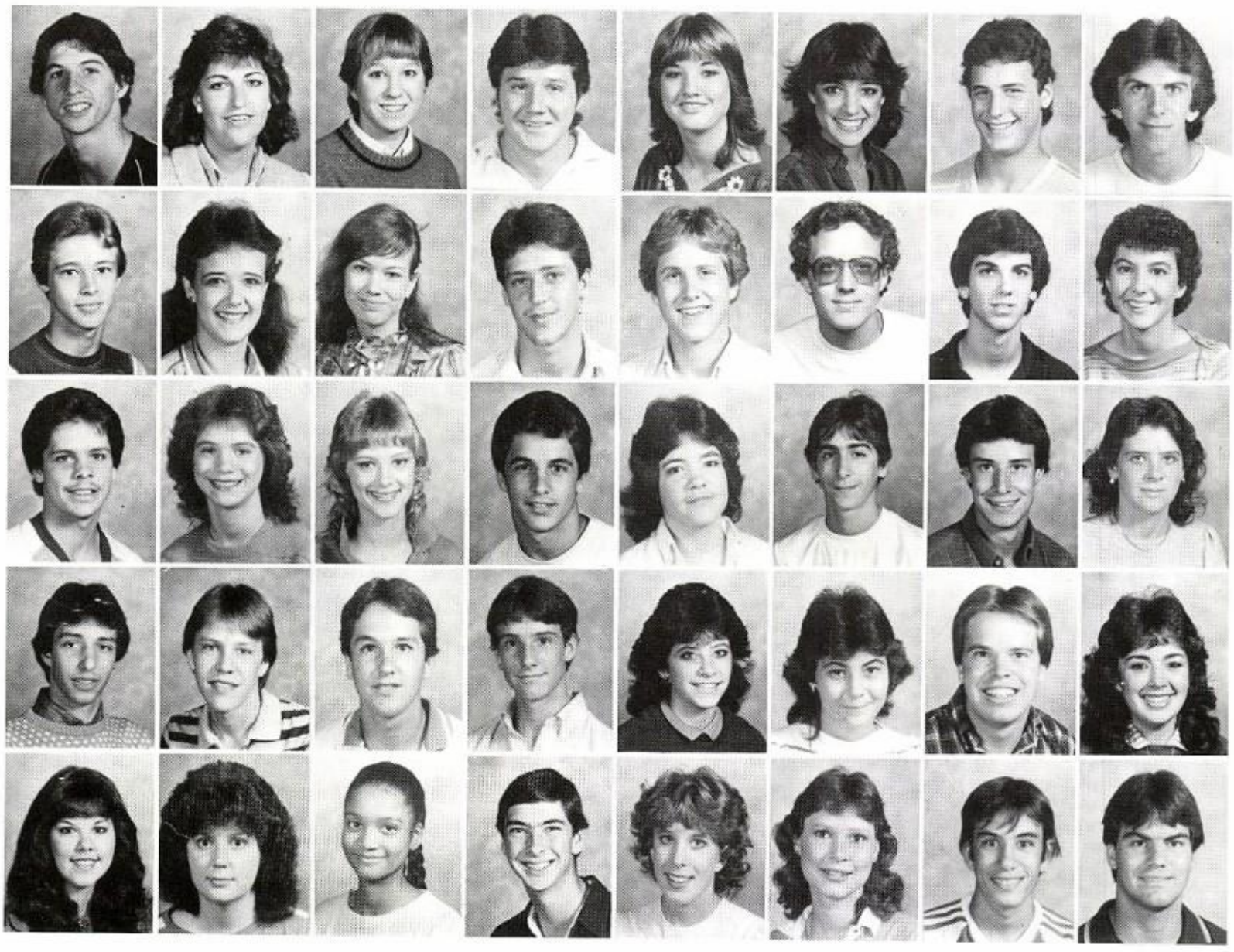
Seemingly oblivious to other available exits, drivers chose various methods to fight the fits of boredom. From the guy with the amplified Heavy Metal to the two girls trading gossip at fifty paces, the methods were as varied as the people employing them. The occasional blare of a horn from a frustrated driver started a symphony of honks echoing for minutes.

Sometimes, the patience withered and a daring move over the median was angrily executed. "I've even seen some smartaleck's maneuver down the shoulder to avoid getting stuck in the traffic," added Shawn Bohannon.

The smart ones, determined neither to re-route their path home nor blow their cool and transmission calmly inched their way forward. Day-dreaming all the while, they had decided to go with the flow and ride with the tide — CART



STATE OF CONFUSION. Students resort to walking over cars in the mad rush to beat the crowd to favorite exits.



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Beard, Melvin

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Bell, Angie
Bellon, Melinda
Blankenship, Roger
Bohdan, Eric
Borel, Reese
Bouquet, Robert
Breaux, Elizabeth

Breaux, Robert
Breaux, Roma
Breaux, Sabrina
Breaux, Timmy
Bridgers, Denise
Broussard, Gary
Burguieres, Doug
Burke, Myra

Busby, Jerry
Byars, Scott
Caillout, Darren
Cannon, Steve
Carroll, Kim
Carver, Cheryl
Carwile, Wade
Cary, Shawn

Case, Tiffany
Chozen, Stephanie
Citizen, Vanessa
Colley, Richard
Comeaux, Lisa
Cormier, Dawn
Cormier, Mark
Cormier, Paul

PEELIN' OUT? Impossible for this jammed vehicle. Instead, Senior Rhonda LeJeune, inches her way to the McNeese and Nelson intersection.

BEEP, BEEP! Horns, stereos, and engine revs are all a part of traffic jams. Gravel was added on the side of the right lane to help cars turning right at the light.

Courville, Terri
Covington, Troy
Cox, Karla
Crater, Kim
Crawford, John
Creel, Scott
Crochet, Shane
Currans, James

Daigle, Kim
Davenport, Elizabeth
Dawson, Bethyn
Dronet, Damon
Dunfel, Rayleen
Dupuis, Randy
Dupuis, Stephanie
Dyer, Danny

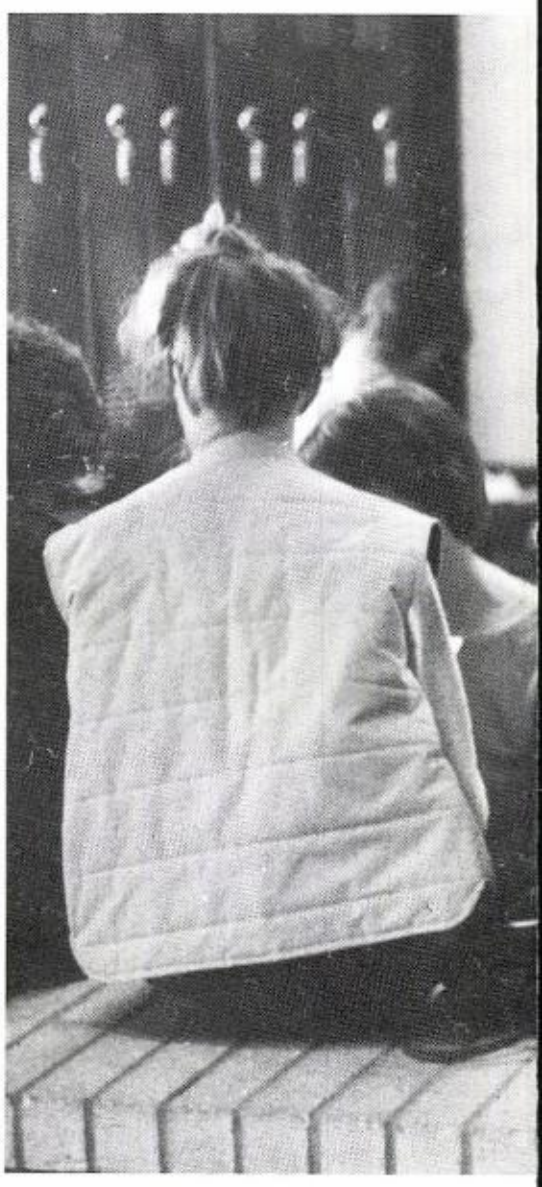
Evans, Sandy
Ewing, Lan
Fahlenkamp, Stephen
Falcon, Gregg
Feist, Laura
Felton, Doug
Ferdinandsen, Butch
Ferguson, Ted

Feucht, John
Fondel, Garry
Fontenot, Dorothy
Fontenot, Helene
Fontenot, Kathy
Fontenot, Michelle
Fontenot, Terrie
Fruge, Tammy

Gardner, Michael
Garner, Scott
Garrett, Erika
Gaspard, David
Gilmore, Pat
Gragert, Bart
Gray, Andrew
Gray, Lisa

MOUTHS RUNNING and ears open is the only way to chat about the day's events for Sophomores Becky Thibodeaux and Michelle Henry.

THE WOMEN IN THEIR LIFE is a major subject for sophomore Danny Rozas, and Seniors, David Triche and Clark Racca, (sitting).



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Hall, Mary

Hamilton, Tina
Harrington, Amanda
Harrington, Scott
Harrington, Troy
Hart, Dorothy
Hastings, Layne
Hawes, Tracy
Hawkins, Steve

Hayes, Rusty
Hebert, Dina
Hebert, Monica
Hermann, Marla
Hixson, Kevin
Hoffpauir, David
Horn, Blake
Hursh, Jason

Jacobi, Karla
Janes, Kim
Jarvis, Mary
Jemison, Tammy
Jemison, Teresa
Johnson, Angie
Johnson, Jan
Johnson, Marcia

Johnston, Kevin
Keeth, Doug
Kelly, Glen
Kibodeaux, Wendy
Kleinschmidt, Janie
Kimball, Lori
Lang, Pamela
LaPointe, Robert

The Nose Knows

They have been known to come up with stories soap operas would kill for. Their listening devices compare with those of the CIA. And they know more names, addresses, and numbers than a telephone book. No, they aren't James Bond clones, they are that rare breed of humans known as "nosy" people.

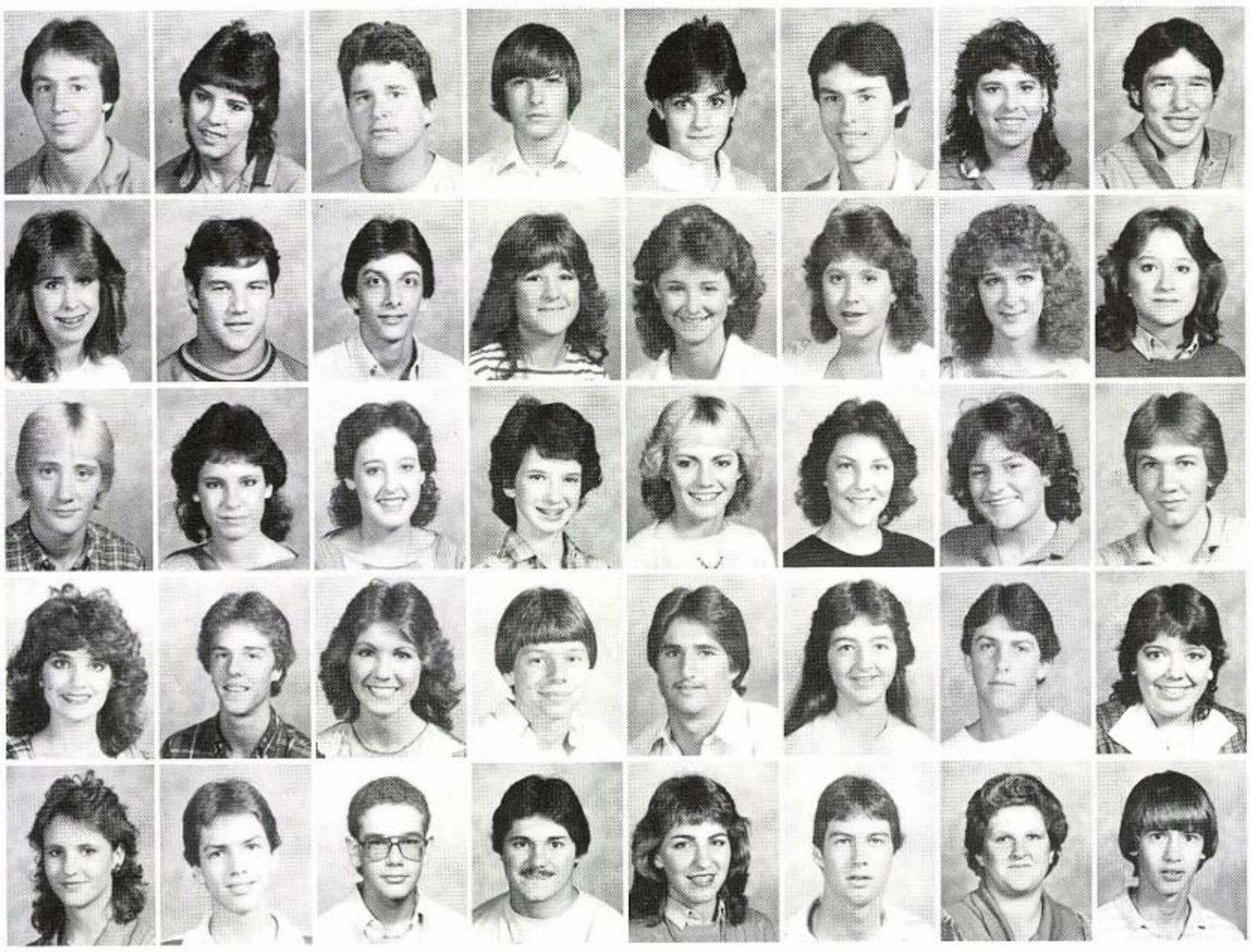
Snoopers, as they are called have been known to get stories so fast, they make a newspaper scoop look like ancient history. In fact, they have ferreted out secrets that the world's largest mole couldn't have dug up.

"After I've been absent for a day, I'd feel lost without checking with one of the noses," commented Marcia Johnson.

"They irritate me," declared Davy Davis. "It's none of their #@!*! business what I'm talking about!"

Whether a nose friend or foe, everyone still seems puzzled as to why these people were picked to be human wire-tappers? And how do they receive all this information through just two small appendages on each side of their heads?

"Well," explained one snooper, "I just keep my eyes open and my appendages to the ground."



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Leonard, Ricky

Lewis, Beth
Lincsomb, David
Liprie, Jon
Logan, Angie
Louviere, Temple
Luckey, Tammi
McCann, Michelle
McCreedy, Cathy

McElveen, David
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McKnight, Mitzi
McManus, Ashley
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Medlin, Michael
Menard, Paula
Mickey, John
Miller, Bethany

Miller, Kim
Misik, Stephen
Moerlie, Brian
Monceaux, David
Moore, Julie
Morin, Gilles
Mouton, Melonie
Mouton, Mike

FINALLY THERE, after waiting an eternity, sophomores Robbie Lannerd and Chad Courmier reach the serving area.

WAITING FOR THEIR TURNS, Calvin Moore, sophomore, and Ray Harrington, freshman, are going to get their food at last. (After they pay money collector, Dave Willoughby, of course!)

Murphy, Pat
Myers, Pam
Nevils, Christy
Ney, Darrell
Ogea, John
Ogea, Laura
O'Reilly, Pam
Ory, Michael

Palombo, Gregory
Parker, Eddie
Penny, Darrell
Perkins, Suzne
Perry, Laurie
Pinner, David
Pitre, Earl
Poole, Missy

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Reed, Kendra
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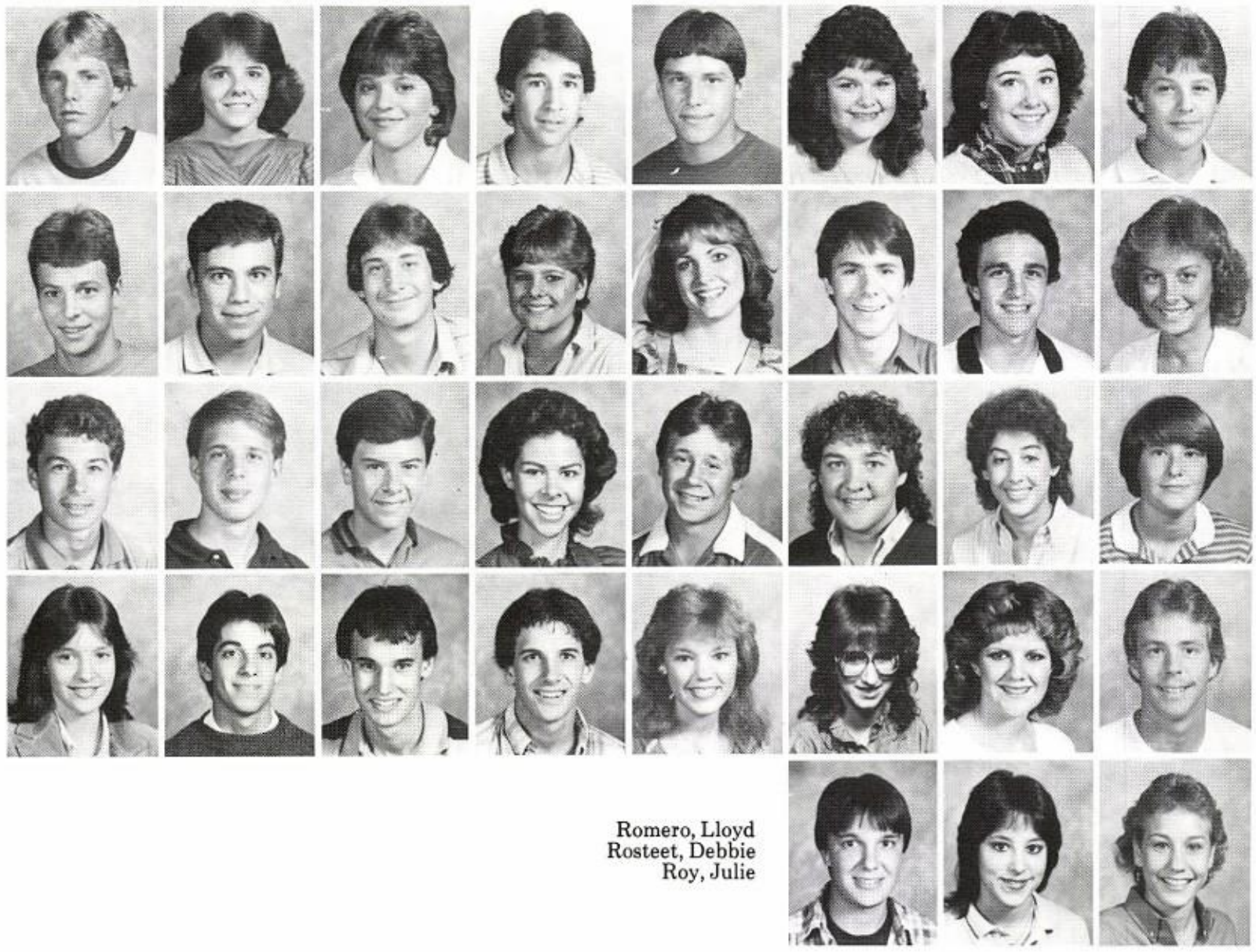


Romero, Lloyd
Rosteet, Debbie
Roy, Julie

The Line's End

The bell goes off and the race is on. Springing from seats, students make a bee line for the cafeteria. Yes, you heard right, the cafeteria, the place where all students swear they never eat.

Being the butt of every food joke told at school, you'd think the place would be empty come lunchtime. Not true, though. The pledge of absolution barely lasts through third hour, when rumbling stomachs drown out the teacher's voice. By the time fourth hour arrives, stomachs have added an amplifier and the clocks have come to a complete stop.

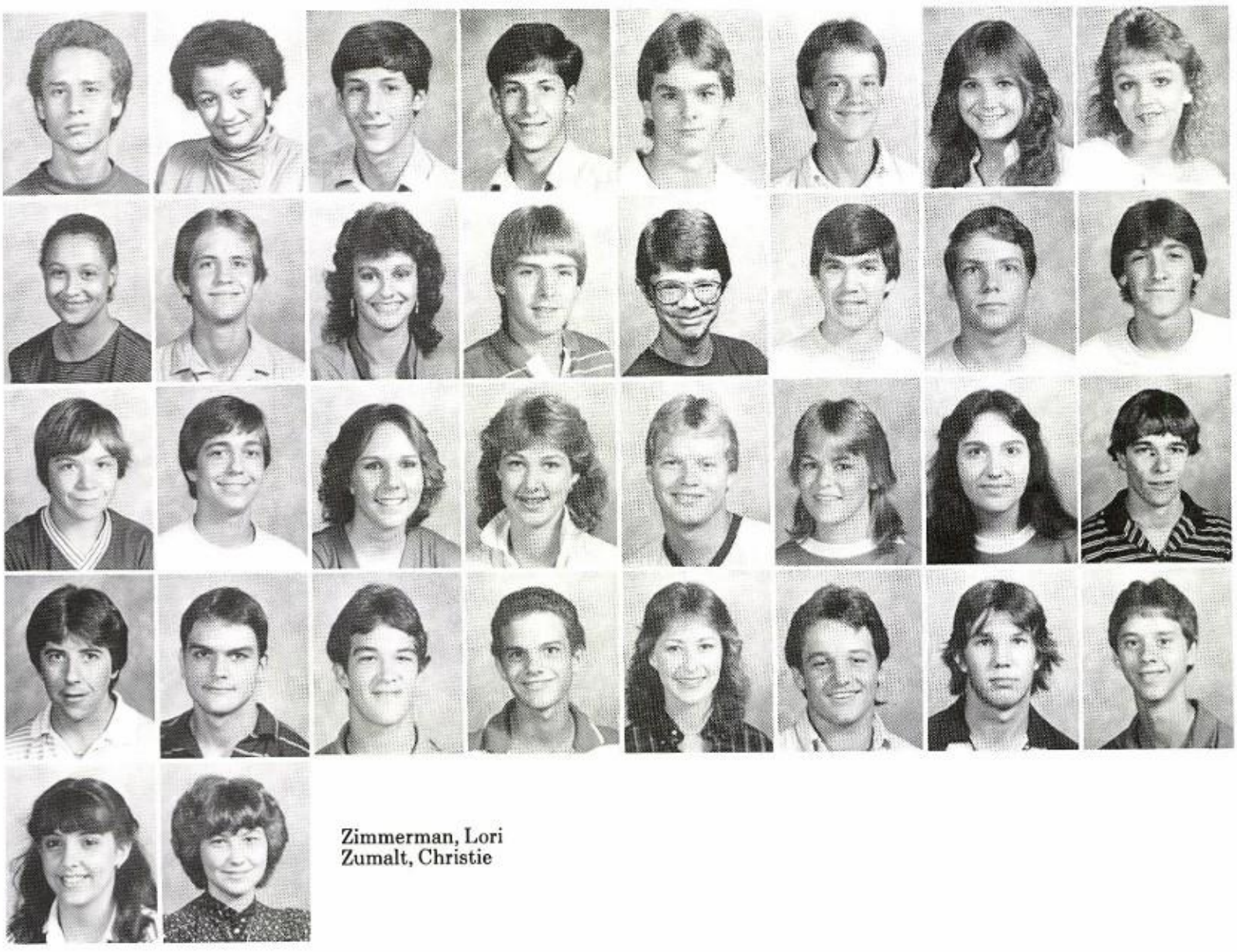
The lucky few who live through fourth hour need speed to make it to the serving line and actually finish their meals.

"When I finally get to the cafeteria, the line goes out sideways because of all the cutters trying to cram into one space," complained senior, Tonya Sanders.

Le menu is met with mixed reactions of shock, surprise, and despair. Senior, John Christian explained, "The food wouldn't be so bad if the workers would cut down on the smells coming from there before lunch."

After the meal is over, those who partook leave a sigh and a "thank you" to their maker. Their stomachs full, smiles on their faces, they head to the Commons, to stop in mid-step. Turning, they make a mad dash, hoping to be first, but ending up last where all loyal cafeteria eaters go. The restroom. — CART

WHERE'S THE LINE? With all the cutting in line, Jimmy Phillips is not sure where the line begins — or ends.



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Stephens, Kitty
Stough, Joey
Tarver, James
Thibodeaux, Dane
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Thomas, Bryan

Thompson, David
Trammell, Tim
Triche, Shannon
Turek, Debi
Tyson, Mike
Underwood, Jill
Vincent, Pamela
Wallace, Matt

Weeks, Scott
Welborn, Robert
Welch, David
Wendel, Michael
Westney, Michelle
Witsman, Brent
Wrigglesworth, Ronald
Young, Michael

Zimmerman, Lori
Zumalt, Christie

Diet: Sweat and Tears

Have you ever been around one of those people who look absolutely anorexic, but refuse to eat because they might tip the scales at ¼ pound over their desired weight? You know who they are — the French Fries! Girls who wear size 3's and think celery is fattening! "Grr . . ." growled Becky Masters, sophomore, "I've been on a constant diet since I was twelve!"

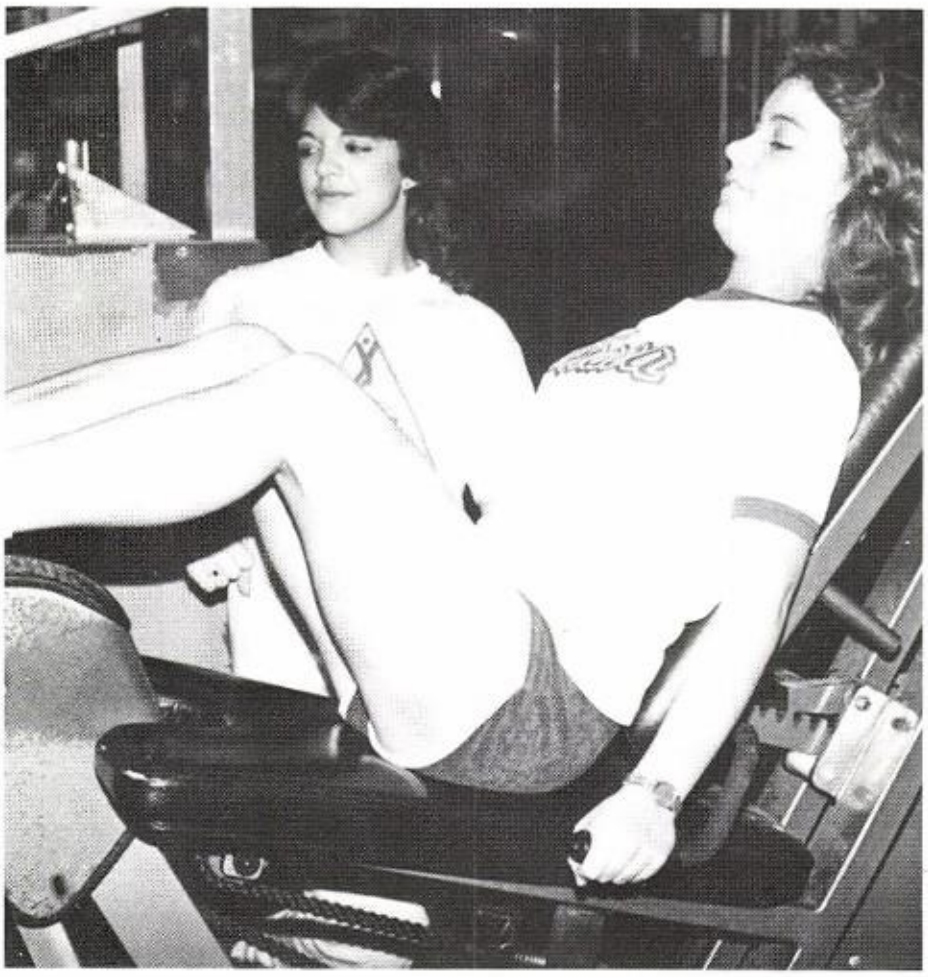
All that sweat wasted and pain endured, just for the perfect body. "I love to run," exclaimed freshman Kim Lewis. "And if I can't run, I do 100 sit-ups." Doesn't that sound like an ad for an exercise club? (or Ben-Gay)

Motivation to exercise is important also. If you have no reason to exercise, there's no point. P.E. class turns into a useless hour of sweat that messes up your make-up and hair.

But, with proper encouragement, you could turn into a real athlete. Explained sophomore, Elise Rasmussen, "The student P.E. coach we got at midterm is absolutely gorgeous. It makes coming to class a pleasure!"

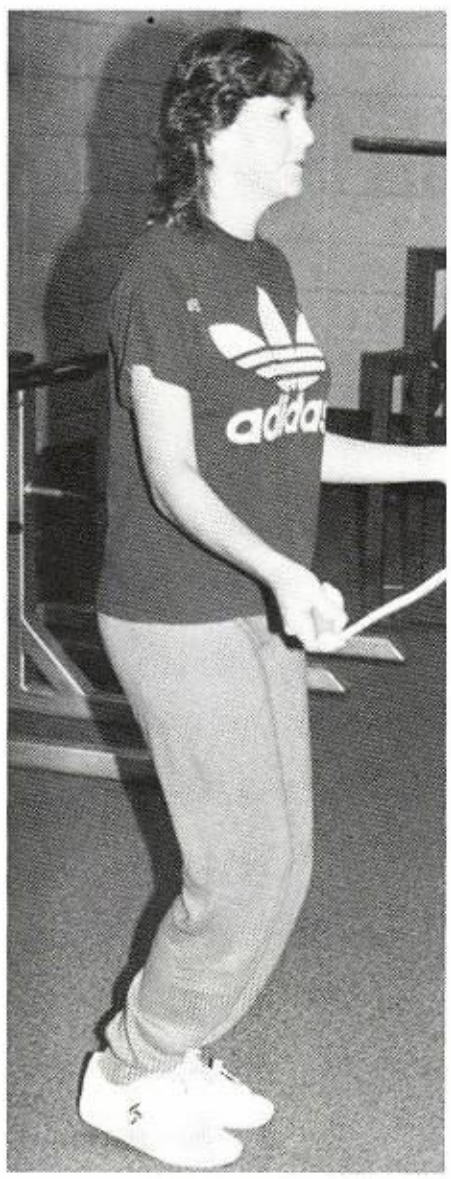
It is too easy to get out of dieting. If you want it to work, you have to be persistent. If you have endurance, you'll lose pounds and gain a perfect body.

Until then, sweat, grunt, starve, and remember, always *BREATHE DEEPLY.* — CHOZEN



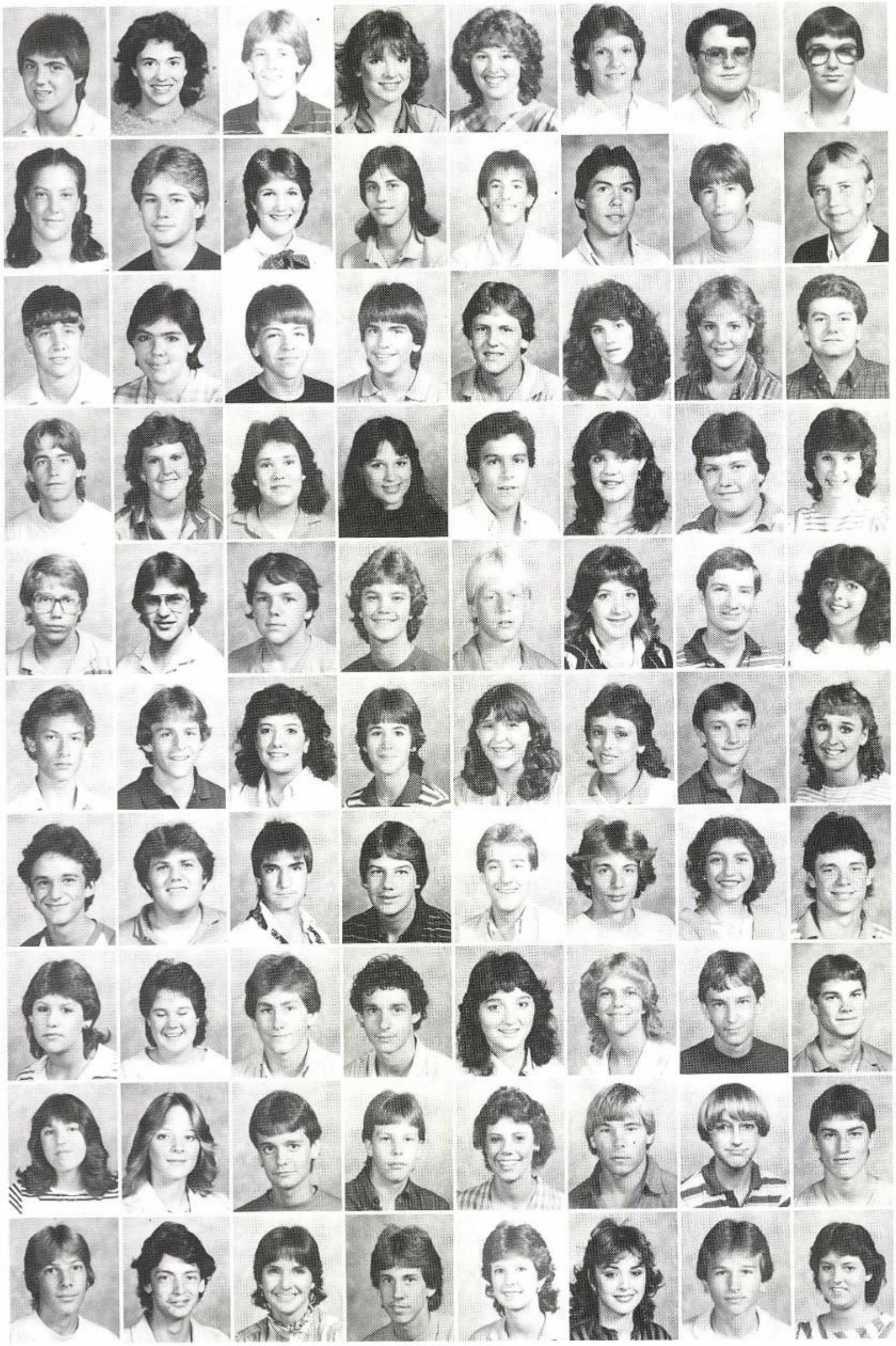
SHAPIN IT UP. Lisa Miller strengthens her leg muscles on the extension machine while Alice Richard waits her turn.

NOTHIN TO IT. Making leg lifts look easy, Sophomore Kelley Sullivan works on her hip and leg muscles.



JUMPING INTO ACTION. Junior Jan Johnson pumps her heart into shape by skipping rope to develop cardiovascular muscles.

LET'S GET PHYSICAL. Strengthening her upper back and shoulder muscles, Junior Missy Poole works out on the pull-over machine in Mrs. Fay Conner's second hour P.E. class.



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Busch, Tony
Byars, Steve
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Carpenter, Jeffrey
Chamberlain, Paula

Chaney, Matt
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Connella, Susan
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Dickerson, Alan
Dixon, Peter

Doucet, Jody
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Downs, David
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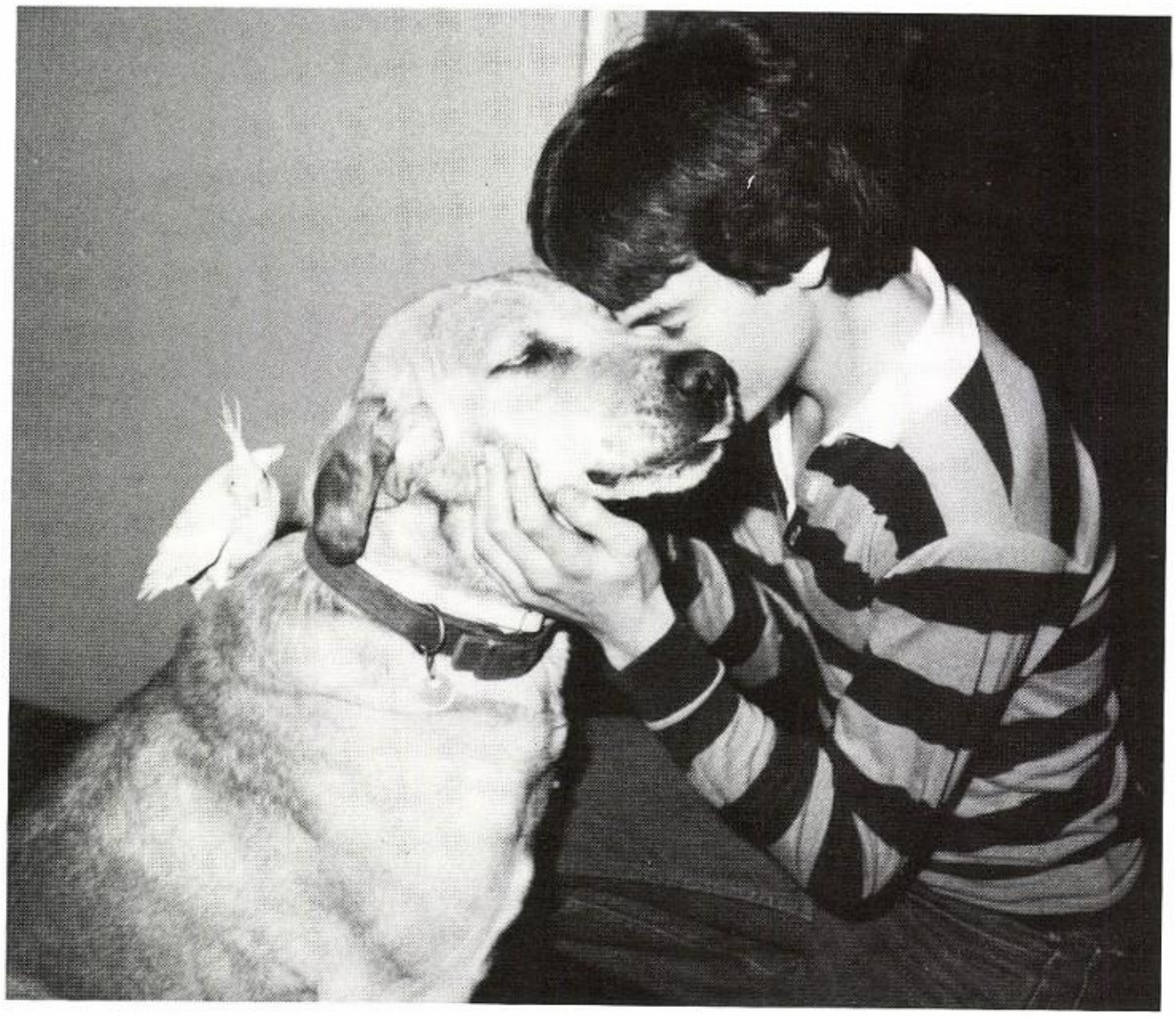
PUCKER UP! Keith Wimberly, sophomore, shows that love is needed for his Golden Lab "Nuisance," and his cockatiel, "Chuckles."



POLLY WANT A CRACKER? cried this tropical parrot to Grady Akins, sophomore.

Here Spot

The American dream — it's not just baseball, hot dogs, apple pie, and Chevrolet, but also the all-American mutt with the big soulful brown eyes. Ever since the domestication of the canine thousands of years ago, the faithful mongrel has been man's best friend. The names and choices of pets sometimes revealed more about the personality of the owner than intended.

"My dog gives me great delight," smiled Melonie Johnson. "She's a toy poodle named Jill and she's six inches tall. She isn't much of an attack dog, but she did scare a Doberman pinscher once. She bit him on his ankle."

Rhonda Gauthreaux has a dog and two birds. "My dog almost ate one of my birds," said Rhonda. "Its little head was sticking out of Tati's mouth. But it was okay, it's a tough little bird."

Pets were called by a variety of creative names. Keith Wimberly calls his golden Labrador "Nuisance." Cammie Cart's parakeet goes by the name of "Cootie." Mick Jagger is the name of Scott Brame's black Labrador.

Ms. Vallee's little dog is a Shihtzu named "WuLi" meaning "Organic energy." "He's certainly an energetic dog," explained Ms. Vallee. "He's always jumping on me when I come home from school."

Pets' names ran from the exotic like WuLi or Walid Jumblatt to the traditional such as Patches and Jack. Have you ever wondered about your best friend when he told you his dog's name? — MARSHALL

JUMP! Gus[illegible] toy [illegible]eaps to greet owner, Sam Crawford.

Duhon, Toby
Dupuis, Richard
Durden, Toni
Eggers, Gina
Eisen, Peter
Elkins, Britton
Ellender, Scott
Elliott, Kelly

Estep, Mary
Ewing, Hoa
Faulk, Debbie
Ferdinandsen, Kathy
Fincher, Paula
Flowers, Leisl
Fontenot, Ben
Fontenot, Chris

Fontenot, Heidi
Fontenot, Tracy
Forbess, Jeff
Foreman, Melissa
Foster, Todd
Frazier, Trent
Frick, Leslie
Fruge, Celeste

Fruge, Marc
Fruge, Monica
Gandy, Chris
Gary, Richard
Gaspard, Lonnie
Gay, Chuck
Glasco, Paul
Glasco, Paulette

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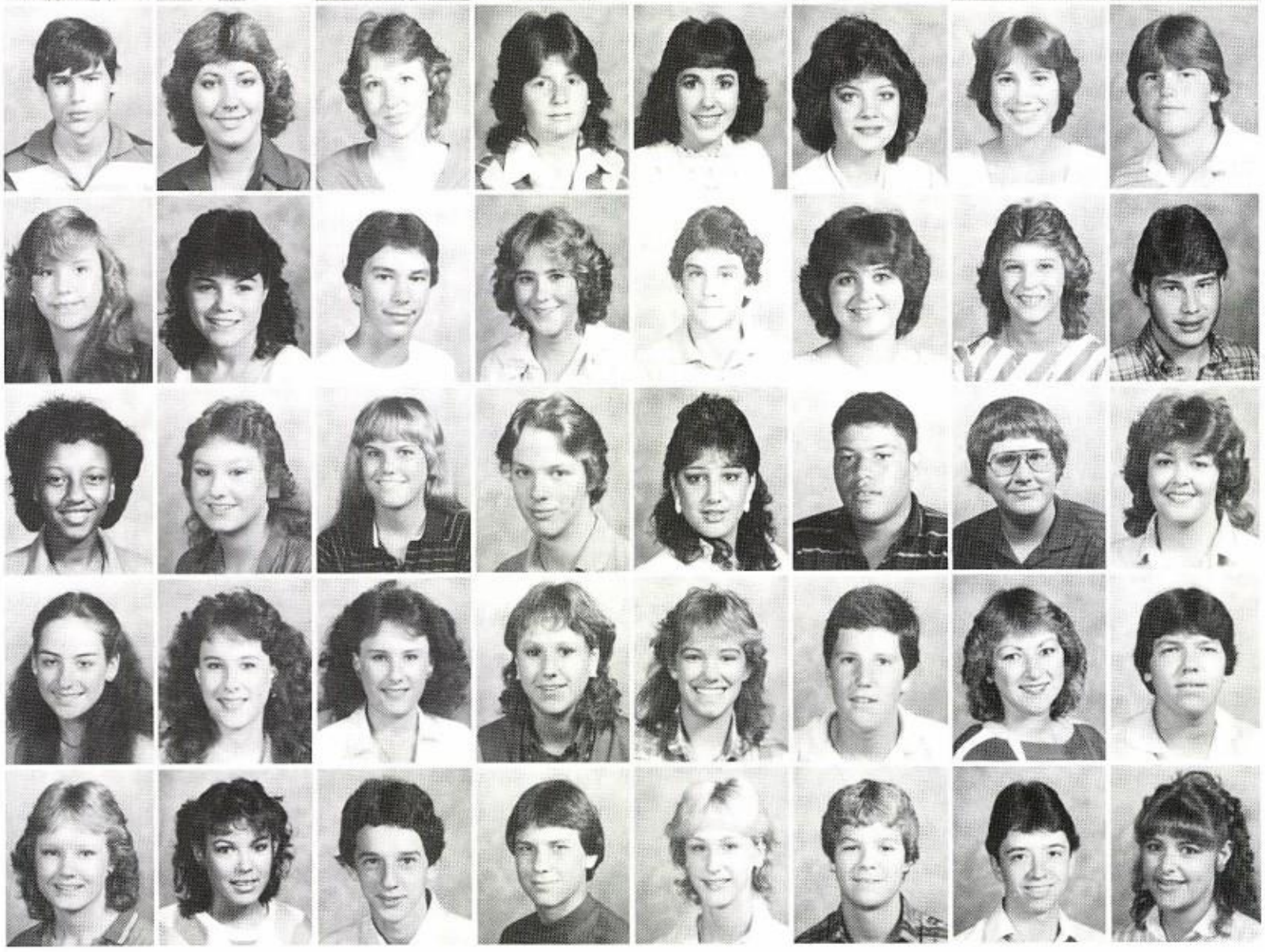

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Hart, Nicole
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Hastings, Trent

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Henry, Michelle
Henry, Shawn
Herston, Michele
Hilbun, Ricky
Hodges, Lillian
Holbrook, Gaynell
Holladay, Mike

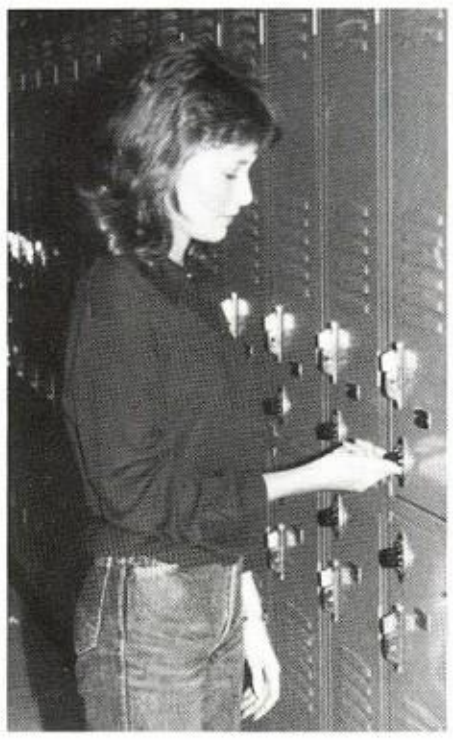
Howard, Leah
Hyatt, Vicki
Jacobi, Kerri
Johnson, Jon
Johnson, Michelle
Jones, Herman
Junker, Mark
Keeney, Sandra

Kingery, Collette
Kleinschmidt, Beth
Kleinschmidt, Kathy
Kratzer, Anne
Lai Zure, Michele
Landry, Francis
Langley, Shelly
Lannerd, Robbie

LaPointe, Laura
Laughlin, Sasha
Launney, Tony
Lusk, Larry
McCann, Mary
McCauley, Chuck
McManus, Eddie
Mahfouz, Marlo

HUMIDITY CITY. Senior, Edan Driscoll didn't let the dreariness of the day stop her from studying outside.

COPPERTONE TANNIN': Catching some rays to get an early start on her tan is junior, Julie Roy.



SWEATER WEATHER. Escaping the cold weather outside, Michelle Westney attempts to open her locker.

Tomorrow's Forecast is . . .

Where you go, what you do, what you wear, whether or not the car will start, how you look and who looks at you — they all depend on . . . the weather.

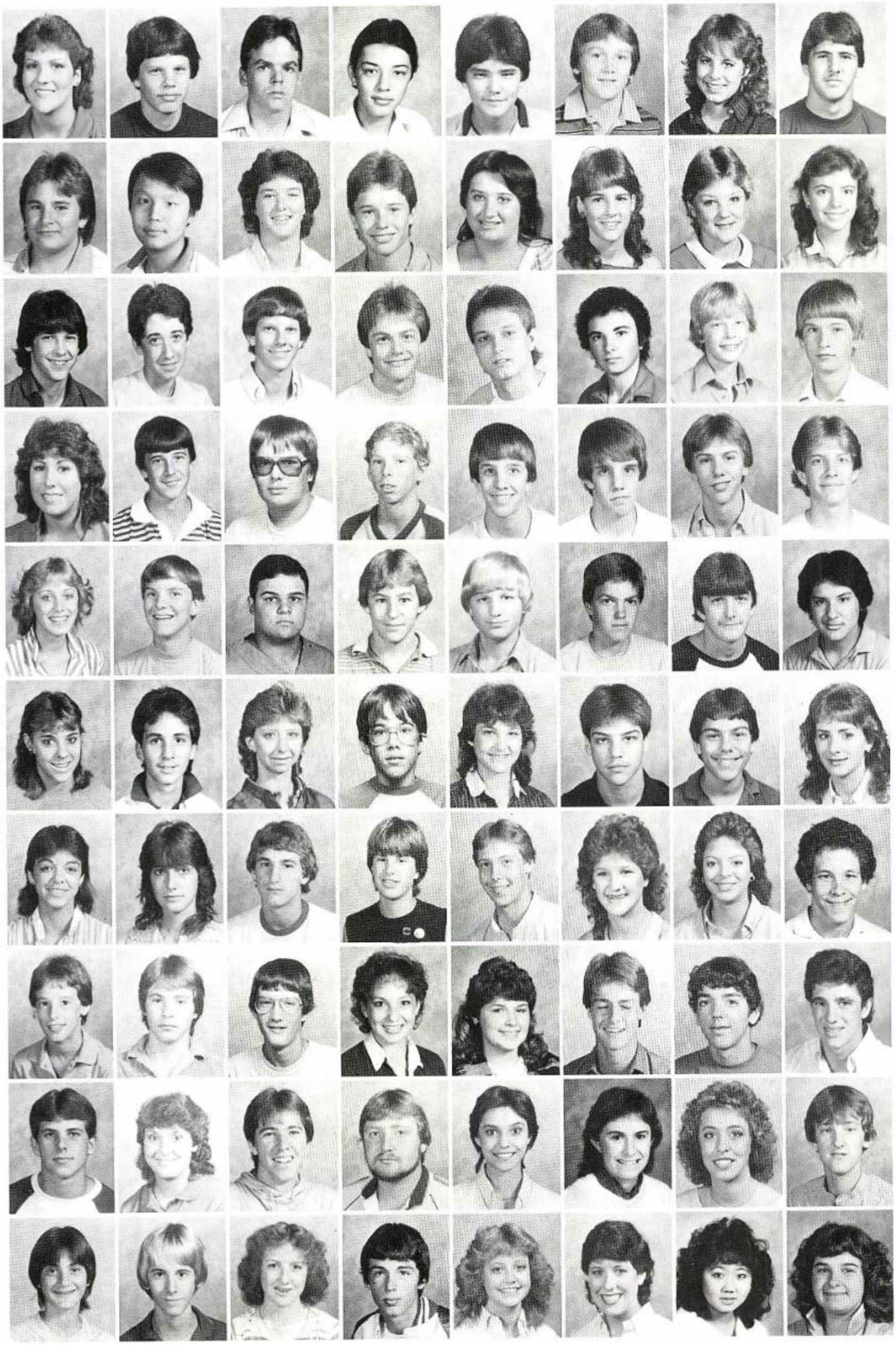
Take, for example, what you wear to school. If it's sunny and warm, short-sleeved shirts, mini-skirts, or Bermuda shorts are practical and stylish. If it's raining, the newly-fashionable windbreakers will keep you dry. "I got this cute new outfit and my friend got one, too,"commented sophomore Gina Eggers. "We were going to wear them on the first nice, sunny day. And it rained all week."

What about your weekend plans? If it's wet and cold, who's going to go to the beach? On the other hand, if it's hot and dry, who wants to go on a nature hike?

Weather even affects people's moods. On a grey, rainy, humid day, not many students wanted to enjoy themselves. "I feel like checking out of school and going home," groaned Bonita Derifield. "It makes me feel hot and sticky all day, in thi kind of weather."

Though usually the weather is ho and sticky, the winter this year had a few incredibly cold days, with th temperature getting down into th lower teens. A bulletin board out side of the Commons proclaimed "Think Snow!" Although this neve happened, there were a few clos calls. Bits of sleet fell, sparsely, o Christmas Eve, bringing hopes of "White Christmas." It cleared ou that day, leaving the green and sun ny holidays Louisianians are ac customed to.

No one was ever sure of th weather, but there was alway something you could like about it "After it rains, you can go mud riding," grinned junior Barry Hodges. The weather was uncon trollable and never really predictable but as dear old Rob Robin alway said, "If you don't like the weather stick around about an hour; it's sur to change." — CHOZEN



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Manino, Vince
Marceaux, Dennis
Marryott, Robert
Marshall, Kevin
Masters, Becky
Medlin, Paul

Mere, Jeff
Miau, Pablo
Michaud, Maria
Mickey, Steve
Miller, Jennifer M.
Miller, Jennifer R.
Miller, Kathryn
Miller, Lisa

Miller, Mitch
Miller, Ron
Mitchell, Michael
Montgomery, Scott
Moore, Calvin
Morrell, Dennis
Morstead, Rolf
Morstead, Stuart

Moseley, Jill
Moseley, Shelby
Mott, Mike
Murphy, Erik
Newton, Keith
Newton, Kevin
Nichols, Byron
Norris, Sean

Norwood, Angela
Odum, Kevin
Peacock, Kevin
Pellerin, Richard
Perkins, Ben
Pettifer, Paul
Pierson, Sean
Poncho, Gordon

Poole, Debbie
Popp, Donnie
Porter, Allison
Rachel, Mike
Rasmussen, Elisa
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Reed, David
Reed, Shawn

Richard, Alice
Richard, Jenny
Richard, Steven
Rivers, Jason
Robbins, Trace
Rogers, Stephanie
Root, Lela
Roy, Mark

Roy, Stuart
Rozas, Danny
Sammis, Mark
Sanchez, Becky
Shaw, Chelleen
Siebarth, Donnie
Simmons, John
Sims, Rick

Smith, Shannon
Soileau, Karen
Sonnier, Aaron
Sonnier, Kurt
Sonnier, Lauron
Spees, Tracy
Stanford, Sarah
Stanley, Steve

Stear, Karen
Strasburg, Jeff
Stratton, Jodie
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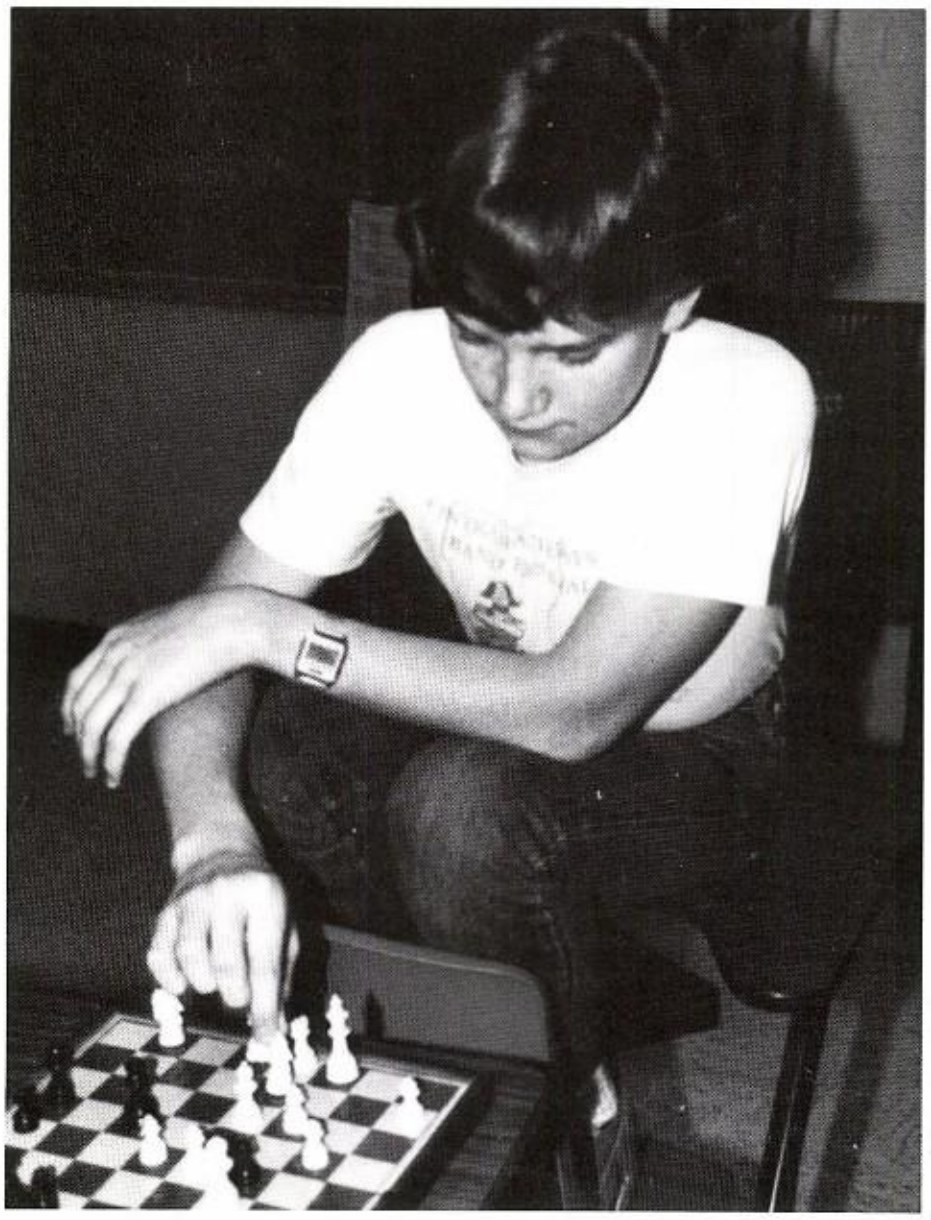
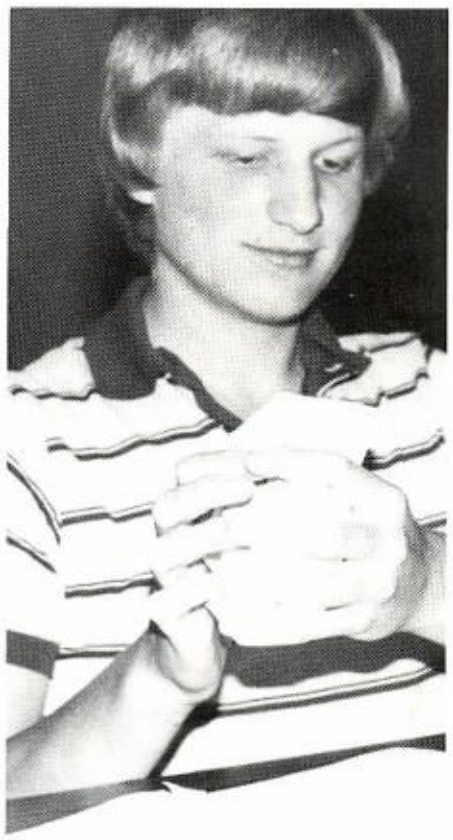
CHECKMATE. Kevin Odum, sophomore, doesn't believe in idle time. He spends his spare time playing chess.



BOOK WORMIN' IT. Mark Junker, sophomore, always carried a paperback in case he had extra time during, before or after classes.

ONLY ONE MISTAKE. That's all it took to make sophomore Ben Perkins tear up a page of notes.



Uncommon Laborers

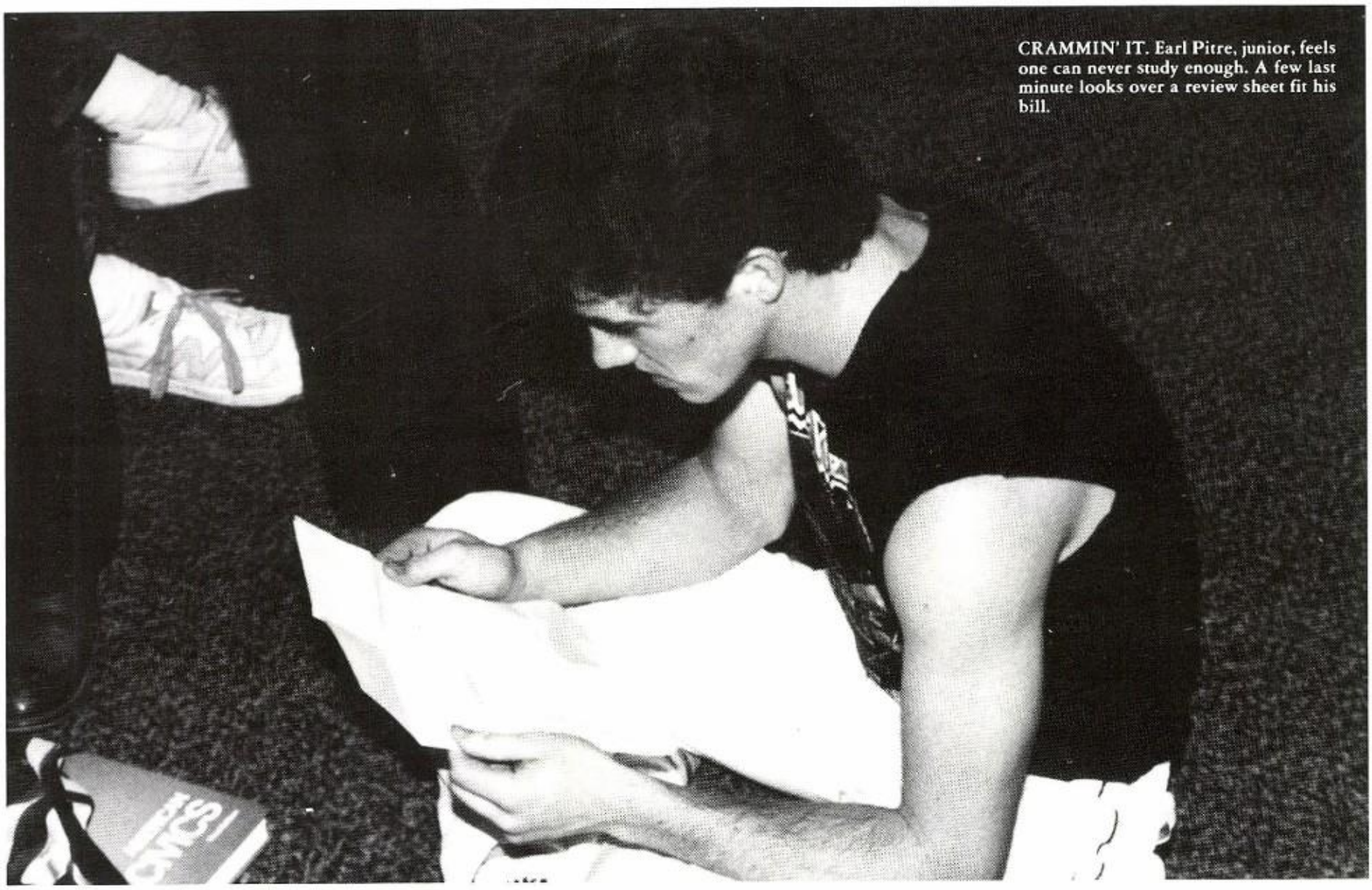
There was one in every class — the person who hadn't made a "B" on anything since P.E. in first grade. No matter how difficult the assignment was, they'd make the best grade and have it finished ten minutes after it was assigned. School was one of the most important things in their lives. They lived to work, to succeed, to overachieve . . . and then to complain about how bad their grades probably were.

These workaholics, though they didn't mean to be, annoyed everyone around them with constant tales of woe about test grades. The continual cry of "I probably flunked it" aggravated even the most nonmotivated student. Everyone knew the bookworms had been studying for the assignemnt for the past three weeks. "Really, I only study for about half an hour every night," explained freshman Ravin Agrawal. "People think I study for hours."

Serious workaholics, really true overachievers, were sparse however. There was only one or two, sometimes three, in each class. But they put the entire class in jeopardy on occasions when teachers would have dropped test grades except for that one perfect paper. "There's a guy in my English class who always knows the answers," commented Dwayne Heard. "When the teacher asks if anyone had a perfect paper after we finish a test, he always raises his hand."

Sometimes these students were the object of merciless teasing. Many people took great pride in making a better grade than one of the workaholics. But they grew thick skins and laughed off the jokes. "People probably tease us because they're jealous," decided junior, Jim Tarver. "It doesn't bother me."

Dedicated to being educated to the max, the workaholics have no trouble getting into college. They are the uncommon laborers. — CHOZEN



CRAMMIN' IT. Earl Pitre, junior, feels one can never study enough. A few last minute looks over a review sheet fit his bill.

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Thibodeaux, Rachel
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Thompson, Eric
Thompson, Mike
Torkelson, Jeff

Toups, Monique
Tran, Trang
Traske, Tonya
Ugland, Sharon
Vallery, Pamela
Van Winkle, Eric

Vincent, Gary
Wamsley, Henry
Weaver, Michael
Weeks, Tammie
Wegener, Mary
Williams, Dawn

Williams, Paula
Williamson, Michelle
Wilson, Tommy
Wimberly, Keith
Winn, Richard
Woodson, Derek

Yu, Eugene
Zama, Caroline
Zembower, Todd

Abshire, Angie
Abshire, Renee
Agrawal, Ravin
Alexander, Kenneth
Alexander, Terry
Angerstein, Alan
Arnold, Jay
Atchison, Kathy

Atkins, Sean
Austin, Bill
Baldwin, Becky
Baldwin, Michael
Bauer, Jocelyn
Bech, Mark
Bellard, David
Bellon, Shelly

Bennerscheidt, Annie
Bennett, Michelle
Benoit, Kim
Berniard, Valerie
Berry, Sherrill
Blair, Calvin
Bohannon, Shea
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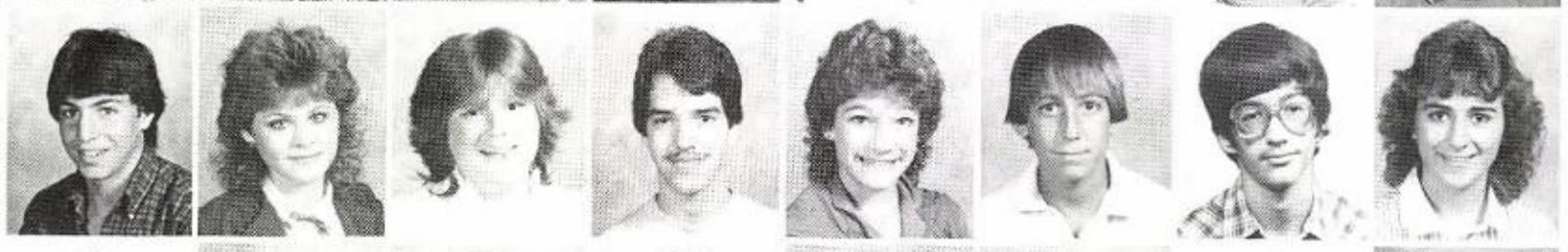

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Calloura, Tony
Cart, Cammie

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Chamness, Monica
Chiasson, Leah
Chisholm, Karen
Chitty, Greg
Chozen, Pam
Churchman, John
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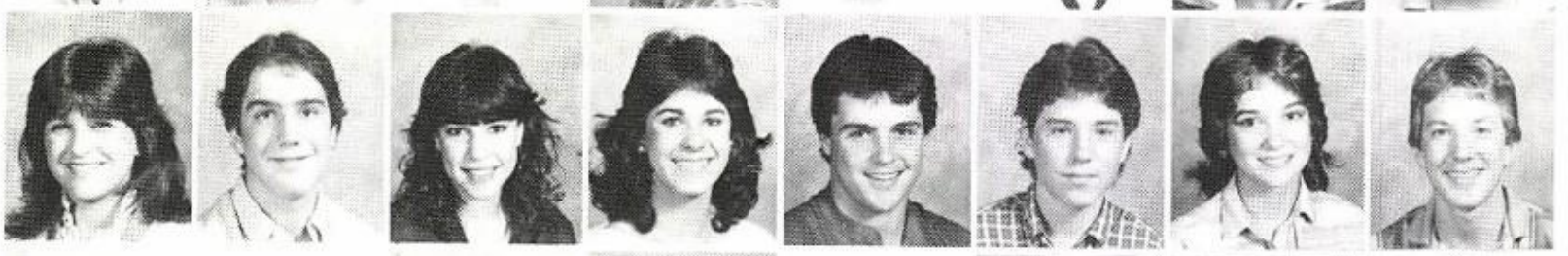

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Delahoussaye, Amy
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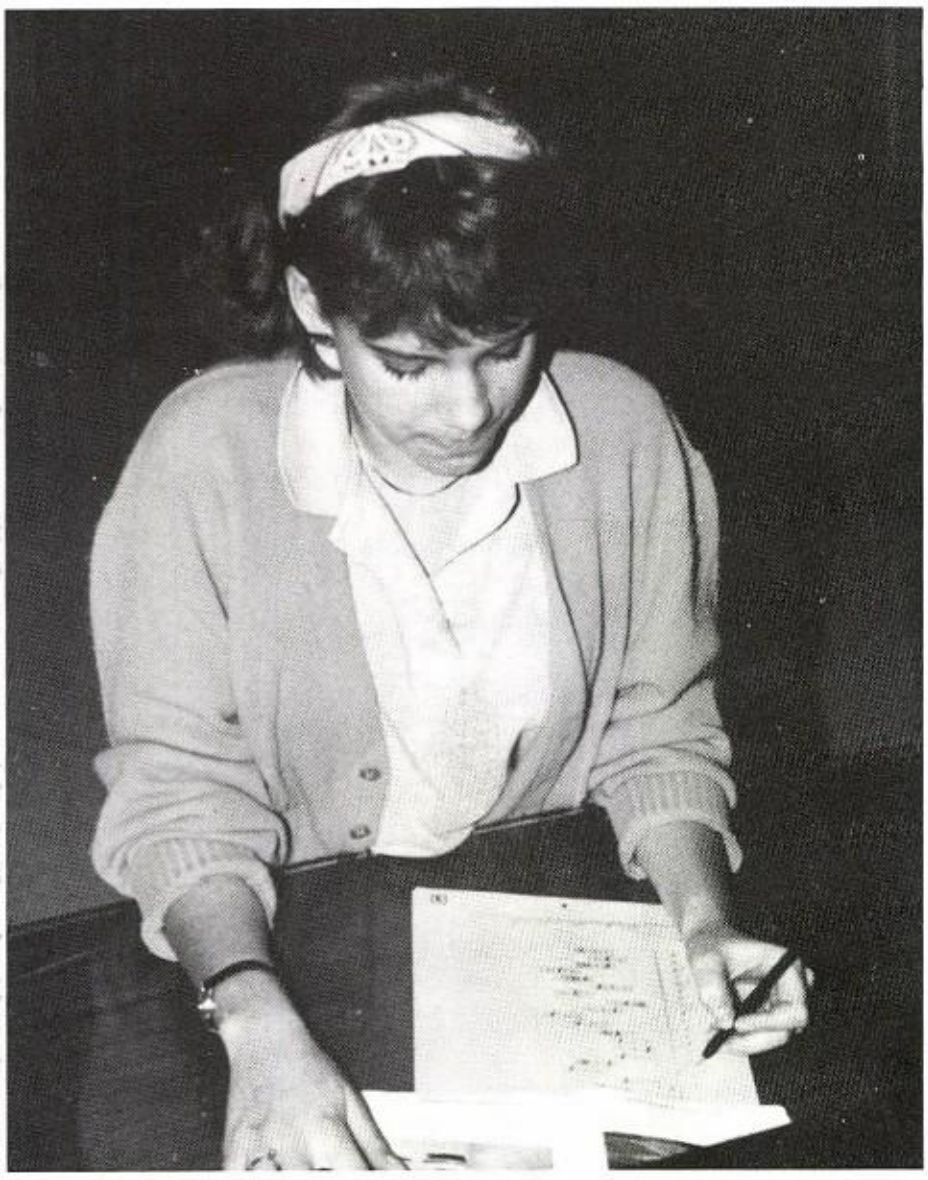
Demeritt, Christopher
Derouen, Jason
Derouen, Vicki
Deshotels, Paula
Dietz, Tony
Dronet, Nikki

Dubea, Stephanie
Duffy, Micha
Dugan, Jennifer
Duncan, Jackie
Dunn, Jennifer
Duplechin, Trina
Edmonds, Stacey
Eiland, Donna

FINALLY! Michelle Laizure, sophomore, prepares to go "cruisin'" with her new license.

SMILE! Most people do, except for Michelle, who doesn't want to smile but can't help it.



Finally Fifteen

The Earth may revolve around the sun, but a student's life revolves around a small, plastic card given out by the millions. Until a teenager puts a driver's license in his wallet, bumming rides is his lot in life.

The road to the license bureau is an obstacle course of many detours. First, students have to convince parents one is old enough to learn how to drive. Then one has to coax them into taking out "their" car to give pointers on the fine art of driving. "I had to practically push them into the passenger seat," grinned Liz Pitre.

From there, the driver-to-be gets into high school and enters the drivers' education class. A half year of class is still between the student and the car. During the summer, after a year of waiting, the driving starts. For 2 weeks a student is drilled on all the ins and outs of the sport.

All this convinces the parents it's time for that license. The student takes a test easier than an automatic "A" and takes the ugliest picture humanly possible. Finally, a spin around the area with the instructor and then it's official. "When I got it, the only thing I wanted to do was to go to the store for my parents," smiled Camille Langston.

After fifteen years of waiting after countless test runs, after half a year of tests, otherwise good-for-nothing, now gangly misplaced, misunderstood teenagers become level-headed, know-it-all sophisticated creatures of the highway. World beware! A new pack of hot-rodders is upon you once again! — CART

A, B, C, OR D? Michelle suffered through the driver's written test after studying only five minutes.

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Ferguson, Chris
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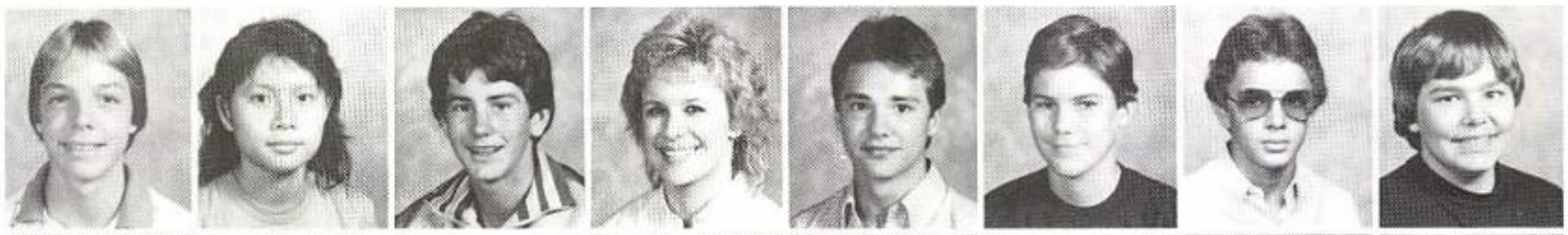
Fluegel, David



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Garrison, Thomas

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Gautreaux, Colleen
Gerard, Shelley
Gilmore, Meredith
Goen, Paul
Goos, Dan
Granger, Damon

Greene, Murray
Greene, Suzanna
Grigg, Joseph
Hackett, Patti
Hagan, Julie
Haines, Mike
Hall, Naomi
Hamolka, Ricky

Hanna, Becky
Harkins, Paige
Harrington, Ray
Hart, Tracy
Hawes, David
Hayes, Donna
Haymark, Lee
Haymark, Margaret

Heard, Amy
Hebert, Darryl
Hebert, Rita
Hebert, Sandy
Henderson, Scott
Henry, Barry
Hodge, Tracy
Holland, Shantain

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Hornsby, Cindy
House, Michelle
Hutchins, Joe
Ingalls, Michelle
Jemison, Kim
Johnson, Tina
Kay, Patricia

Keenum, Jeffrey
King, Elizabeth
Kitt, Stephen
LaGrange, Melonie
Langston, Camille
Lashbrooke, Lauren
LaVergne, Beulah
LeBlanc, Cory

LeBlanc, Diana
LeBlanc, Leah
LeBlanc, Tommy
LeBleu, Janet
LeBouef, Tanya
Ledano, Mechelle
Legnion, Traci
LeJeune, Phyllis

Lewis, Kim
Linsomb, Nancy
Lucas, Kevin
McAdoo, Jennifer
McCauley, Robert
McClure, Steven
McCreedy, Mararet
McGee, John

Never Too Short

A pair of eyes — peering, unblinking, curious. As you look down, unmoving. You stand up, but you see nothing. Suddenly, a tiny voice calls out, "Could you please put this up there for me?" You have just encountered a Short Person.

Short People. You know who they are. That poor student who has to jump to reach their locker. That girl in French who is always being teased. Don't they have problems!

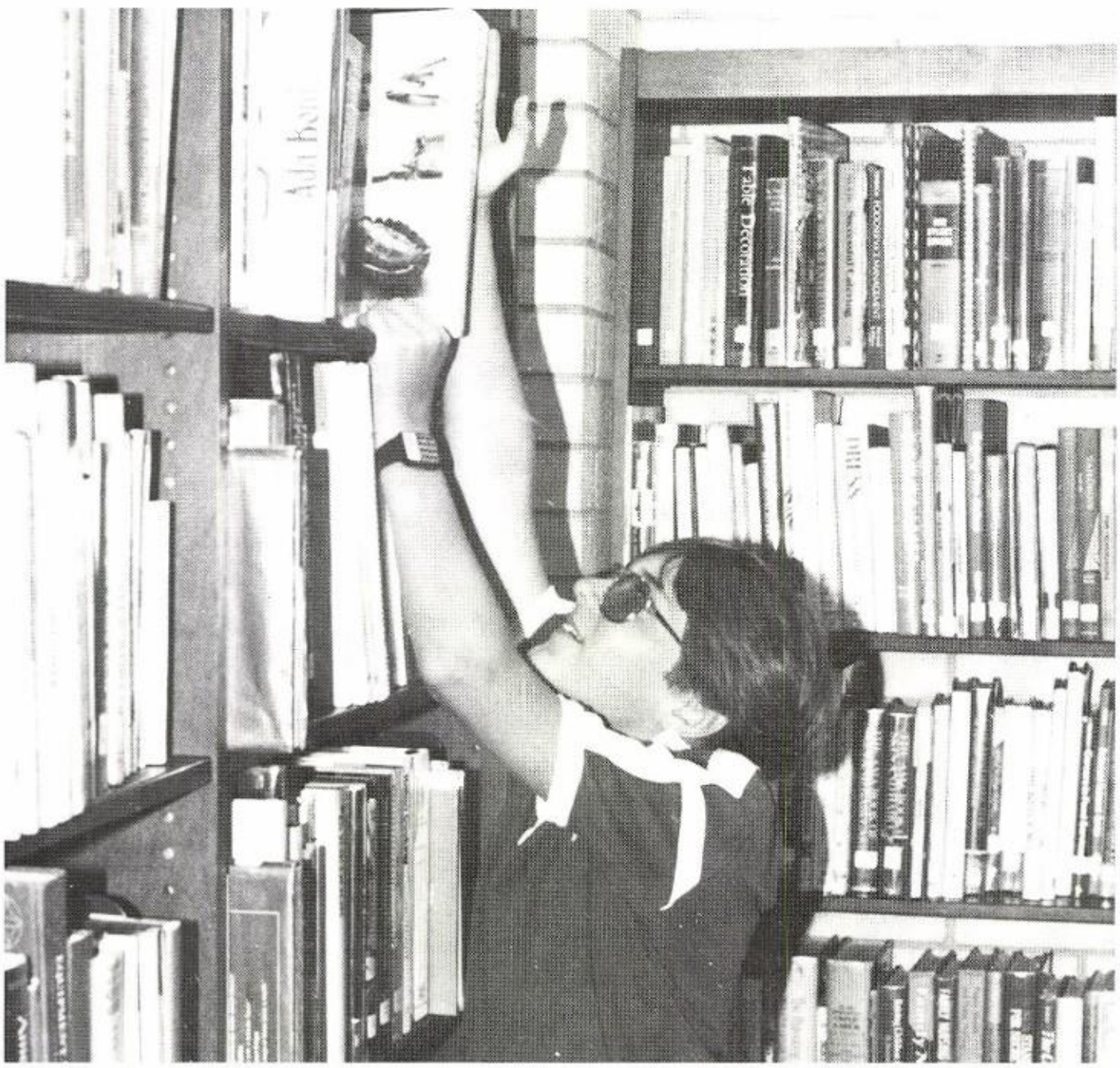
"When you have a top locker and can't see the lock, you can get pretty ticked off!" admitted Don Seymour. "I'm not short anymore, though!"

What about being kidded? How many people who are short have ever heard things like "Hey, why don't you stand up" or "you make a great armrest." "I'm not that short, but they still bug me!" complained Kim Perry. Freshman, Tim Ory even received several offers to be put into girls' purses and taken home.

Short people are constantly subjected to all those people who think they are short because they can't dunk a basketball into a 10′ goal. They aren't short! A true short person can't dunk a shot into a trashcan.

Short people are those lucky few who can't replace lab equipment and wear size 2 shoes. "I'm short and proud of it!" proclaimed Rosemary Emery. — CHOZEN

STANDING TALL. Mike Breaux, sophomore, towers over Colleen Kingery, senior, at the Homecoming dance.



SLAMMA JAMMA. The bleachers give Stuart Roy, sophomore, the extra edge he needs to slam dunk.

JUST A LITTLE HIGHER. Joseph Grigg, freshman, stretches to his limit in an attempt to reach a book on the top shelf.

McGee, Kelly
McGee, Michael
McGee, Robert
McInnis, Stephanie
McLaughlin, Steve
Mahfouz, Marcie
Mallett, Michael
Manning, Angela

Mears, Janese
Meaux, Nathaniel
Mere, Joey
Miller, Allison
Miller, Tina
Moffett, Chris
Morris, Lisa
Murphy, Rachel

Nabours, Laurie
Norwood, Kim
Ogea, Lonny
Orgeron, Dee Dee
Ory, Tim
Oubre, Britt
Owen, Faron
Pearce, David

Perry, John
Perry, Kim
Petitt, Becky
Piraro, Robie
Pitre, Liz
Pujol, Guy
Qualls, Kristie
Quibodeaux, James

Quirk, Wendy
Rasmussen, Tim
Reece, Judy
Reed, Derrick
Reeves, Jimmy
Rembert, Jade
Rankins, Fenecia
Rhame, Chris

Richard, Todd
Riley, Bobby
Rion, Trey
Robertson, Debbie
Rodenberry, Sheri
Rodgers, Brent
Roady, Jack
Rose, Lori

Rosfeld, Richard
Rosteet, Freddie
Rosteet, Neely
Rosteet, Robbie
Roy, Sherwin
Savario, Trey
Savoy, Dece
Self, Beth

Sepulvado, Louis
Scalisi, Dennis
Shelton, Russell
Siebarth, Sabrina
Singer, Connie
Sizemore, Angie
Soileau, Christa
Soileau, Scott

Soileau, Troy
Sole, Celeste
Sonnier, Rusty
Sonnier, Sam
Sorrells, Ted
Spees, Pam
Spreafico, Mike
Stanley, Greg

Stewart, Stephanie
Stratton, Jill
Supan, Wendy
Tarver, Aaron
Taylor, Dean
Thibodeaux, Mike
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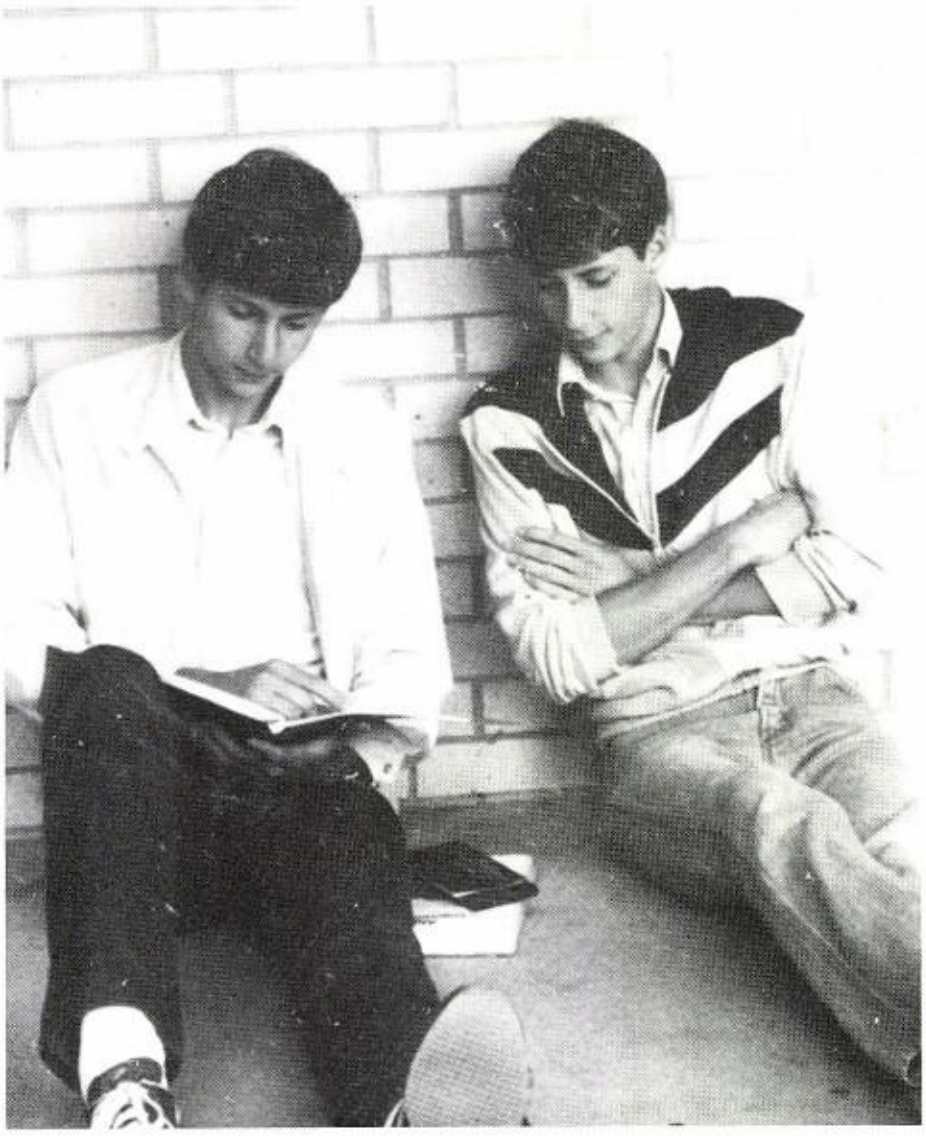
Thomas, Gwen

THE BOBSEY TWINS, Vic and Vince Salvador, juniors, are hard to tell apart when they are together.



Family Ties

While not an enviable situation, some students had the privilege of going to the same school as their mothers. No, these women weren't students, but teachers. Having become high school age, they now attended Mom's place of employment in pursuit of higher education.

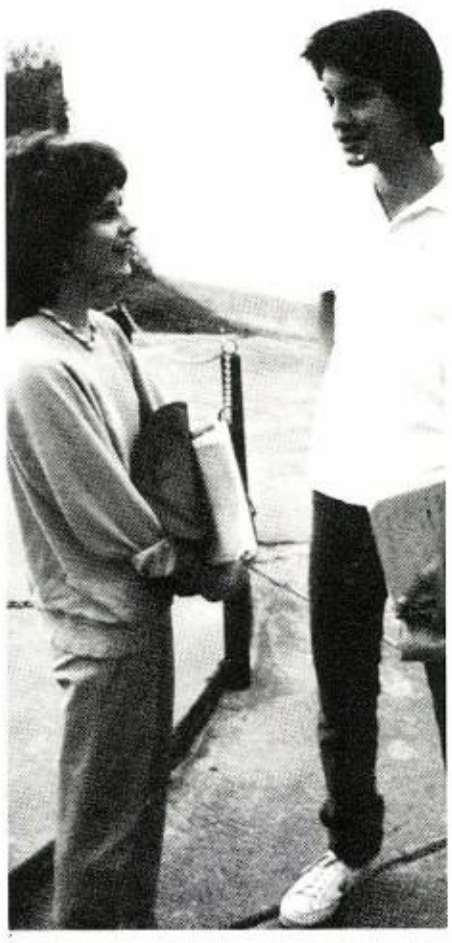
The mom/teachers saw obvious advantages to this. "I know that my daughter, Kim, is receiving a good education," expressed Mrs. Donna Bell. I know all of her teachers. While she's here, I can also keep an eye on her." Agreed Kim Lewis, daughter, "It's nice to have Mom around when I need her."

Others weren't in close contact with their family members, but were aware of their presence. "I don't see my son, Jay, much during the day," explained Mrs. Arnold. "but I know he is around. I also know that while he's here, he'll receive a good education."

There were some disadvantages to having your mother at the same school. For one, she always knew when report cards came out. If you were trying to hide a D in Home Ec. until after the holidays, good luck. And as for misbehaving, it would be easier to smuggle refugees out of Cuba. There was no wild partying at school dances, or heated arguments with teachers, mom is watching.

These weren't the only family ties in the school. There were many sets of brothers and sisters avoiding each other around school.

These people, the lucky few, were fortunate enough to have a family member around. This proved the importance of family ties. — CHOZEN



STEPHANIE FONTENOT, senior, and her brother Chris, sophomore, talk in the courtyard after school.

MRS. ARNOLD helps her son Jay, Freshman, do some extra work.

Interior Decorators Beware

WHERE THERE'S A WILL, THERE'S A WAY. Anything, and everything, could somehow be put into a locker.

Wall-to-wall books. Five sweaters and a windbreaker. Piles of crumpled paper crushed into bottom corners. What started out as an empty if somewhat dusty storage area had turned into every mother's nightmare.

Not everyone suffers the trauma of jam, cram, slam. However, many decided to do a little interior decorating. Posters, clippings, and stickers brightened otherwise barren walls. "I have Odie in my locker, all over the place," confessed freshman, Tracey Hart. "It makes the whole place a lot more cheerful." Louisiana weather, hot and humid, and outside lockers combined to create decorating problems, though. "The tape on my pictures is always coming unstuck,"complained junior, Stephanie Chozen. "And the stickers just curl up and fall off."

Others were "terminally messy."No matter how carefully they opened their lockers, something always fell out. Some gave up the war of Student vs. Locker and moved out. "The top door on my locker wouldn't close," explained Lauren Lashbrooke, freshman. "And the bottom door didn't open too well. So I moved into Mrs. Bell's closet and the only thing in my locker now is a coke can."

Lockers sometimes had mechanical problems. During registration, lockers were assigned and reassigned. "I tried three lockers," exlaimed Jack Roody, freshman. "And only one worked!"

In the ongoing war of student vs. locker, on May 31, peace was declared. — CHOZEN

WAR AFTERMATH. The remains of once cluttered lockers decorate the hallway after the last students departed.

Thompson, Donna
Toten, Buddy
Trahan, Matt
Tran, Trang
Triche, Ronald
Tyson, Mark
Verret, Kim
Vige, Wendy

Walker, Wendy
Wallace, Larry
Ware, Abe
Webb, Tammy
Weeks, Nancy
Welborn, Jill
White, Danny
White, Daren

Whitfield, Cathy
Whitman, Mary
Wicks, Steve
Williams, Marilyn
Williamson, Devin
Wilson, Chris
Wisby, Dawn
Wojciechowski, Jeff

Worley, Chris
Young, Jeff
Zimmerman, Brian
Zimmerman, Keith
Bernard, Barbara
Board, Kenneth
Fontenot, Kevin
Fontenot, Larry

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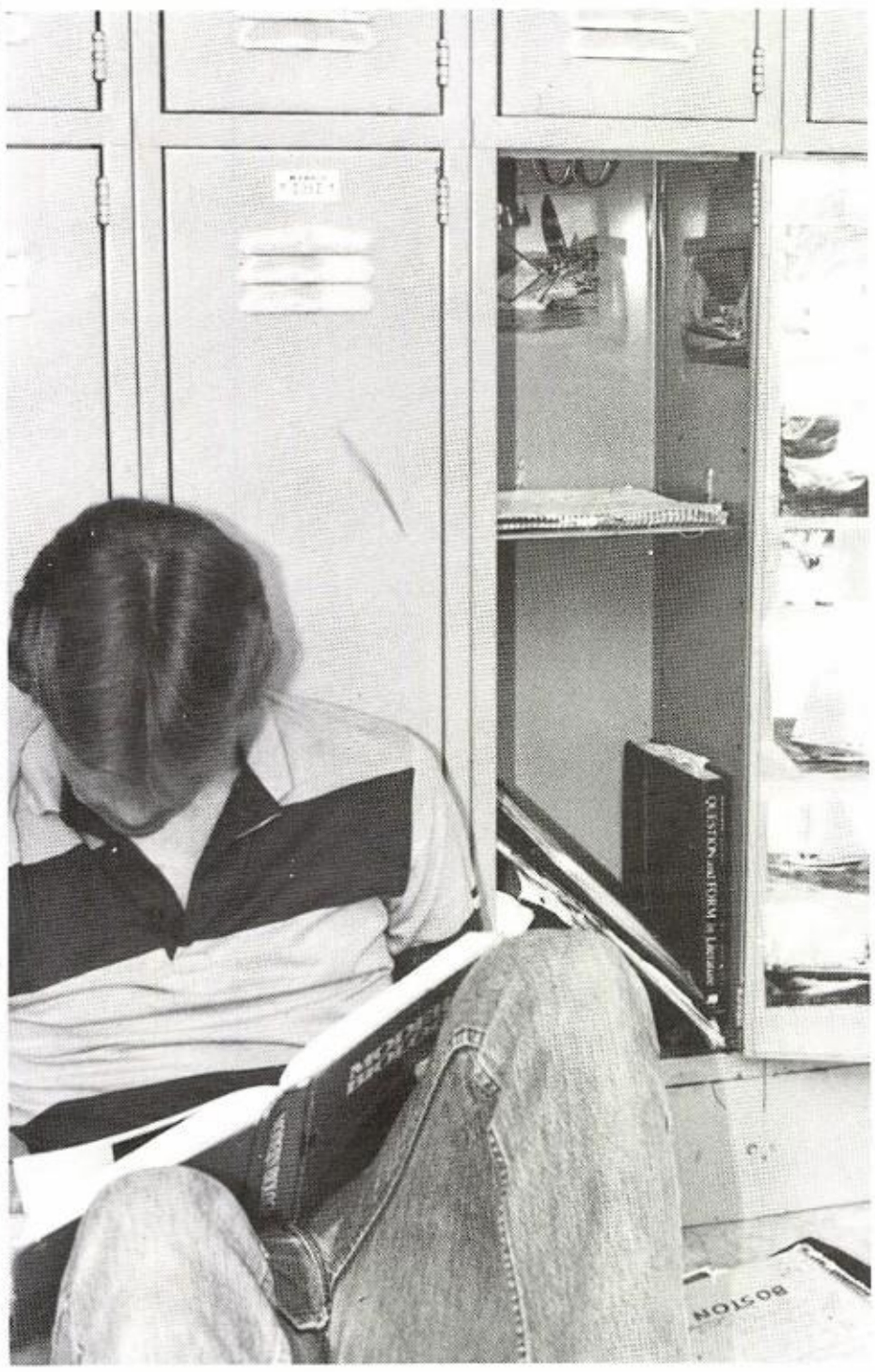

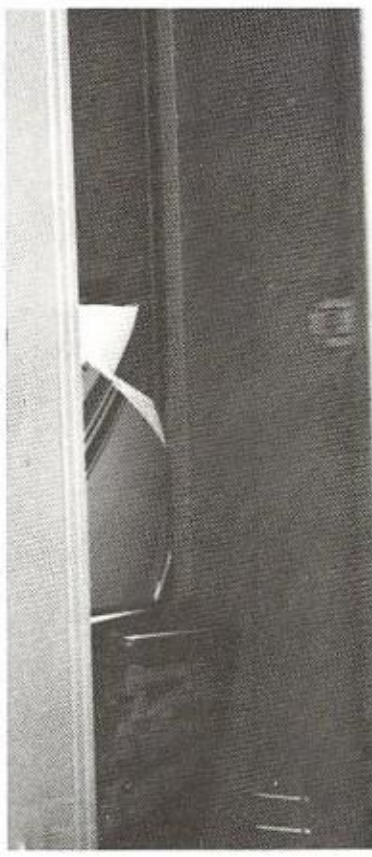

AND THE BOOKS COME TUMBLING DOWN. Sophomore Jeff Broussard gets ready for a major catastrophe as he opens his locker door.

I'D RATHER BE SAILING. Sophomore Jon Johnson displays what he'd rather be doing on his locker walls.

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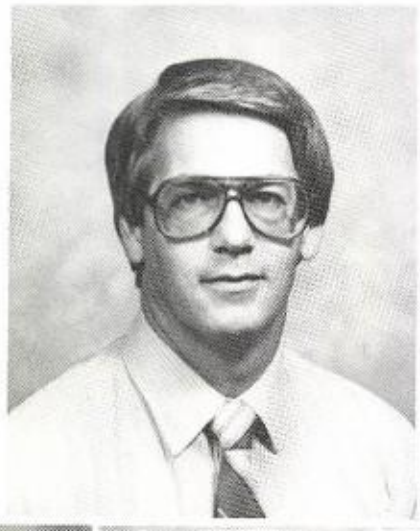

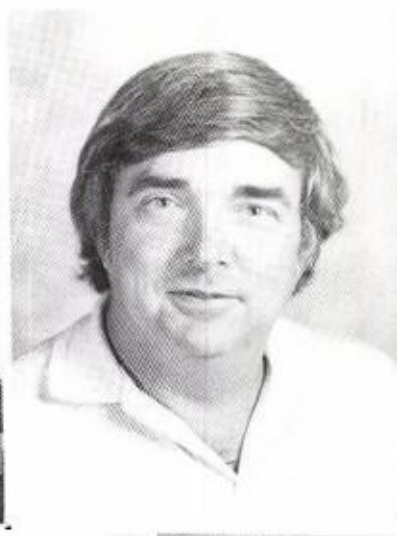

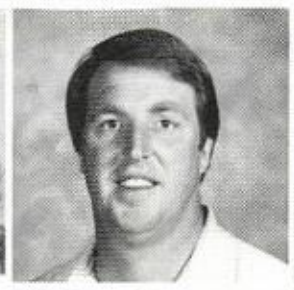

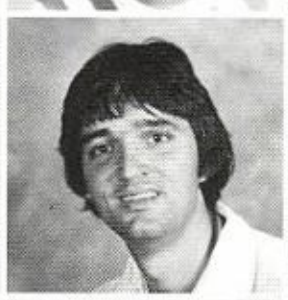

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Bradford, Joan — Special Education
Brandenburg, Cheri — Special Education
Brown, Elaine — Library; Library Club
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Combs, Henry — P.E.; Girl's Track

Corley, Peggy — Boy's and Girl's Chorus; Advanced Chorus
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Feist, Mary — Civics ph 2
Fontenot, Drew — T&I

Frisbie, Cynthia — Math II, Geometry ph 2
Fusilier, Carolyn — P.E.; Girl's Softball and Volleyball
Griffin, Carolyn — Civics ph 2; American History ph 2
Grindol, Stephen — Biology ph 1 and 2

Guillory, Martin — Civics ph 1; Free Enterprise ph 2
Hall, Ceocia — English I ph 3 and 2
Harris, Maurice — Contraband Cuisine; F.H.A.
Hillebrandt, Renee — Art I and II; Art Club; Rodeo

House, Dorothy — Typing I, English I ph 1
Kepper, Louise — Biology ph 3
LaFleur, Mary — C.O.E., Data Processing, Clerical Practice; F.B.L.A.
Lancon, Gwen — French I and II; Yearbook; French Club

A SIGH OF RELIEF. Jean Barker rushes to her car so she can dash home from school after 6 hours of Friday-sick students.

Thank God It's FRIDAY

Teachers could be as human as everyone else. Mondays weren't on the top of their Most Favorite List either.

Contrary to widely-held notions, they didn't spend every waking moment plotting how much homework they could pile on hapless pupils before the weekend. They also looked forward to being liberated on Friday afternoons. Students weren't the only ones with big plans for the weekend.

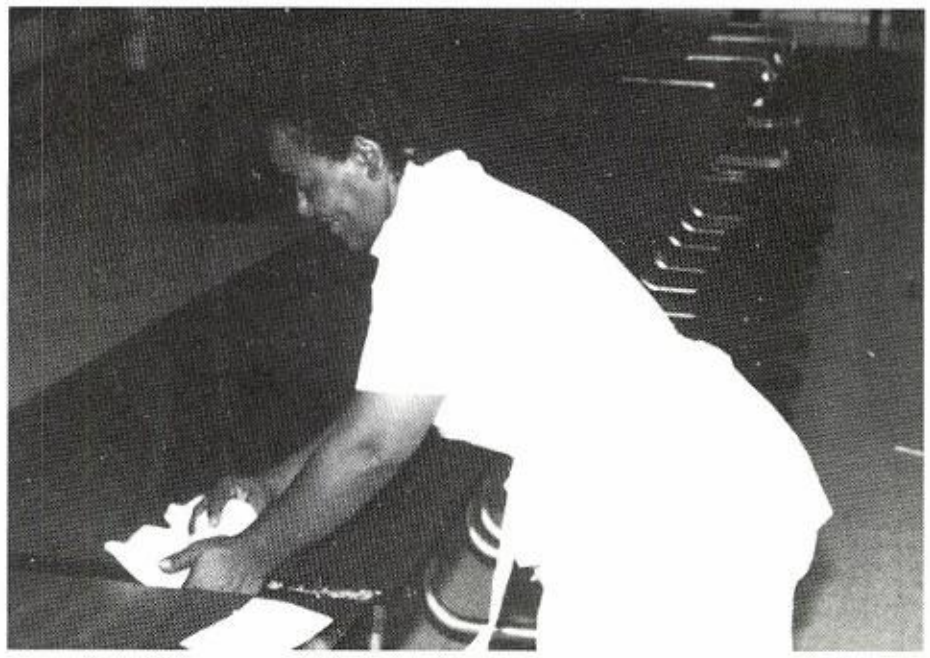
"I love Fridays." exclaimed Miss Raetzch. "But I hate thinking about them on Mondays, it's just too depressing."

Some teachers enjoy their students so much that they wanted to spend time with them on weekends. Ms. Joan Vallee always wanted her biochemistry class to go camping one weekend, but she decided to have a crawfish boil instead. Other teachers supervised clubs. Mrs. Gloria and Edna Wegener accompanied the Latin club to convention at L.S.U.

"I always enjoy chaperoning my students at convention," explained Mrs. G. Wegener. "Each year I always say 'Never again,' but I manage to do it anyway."

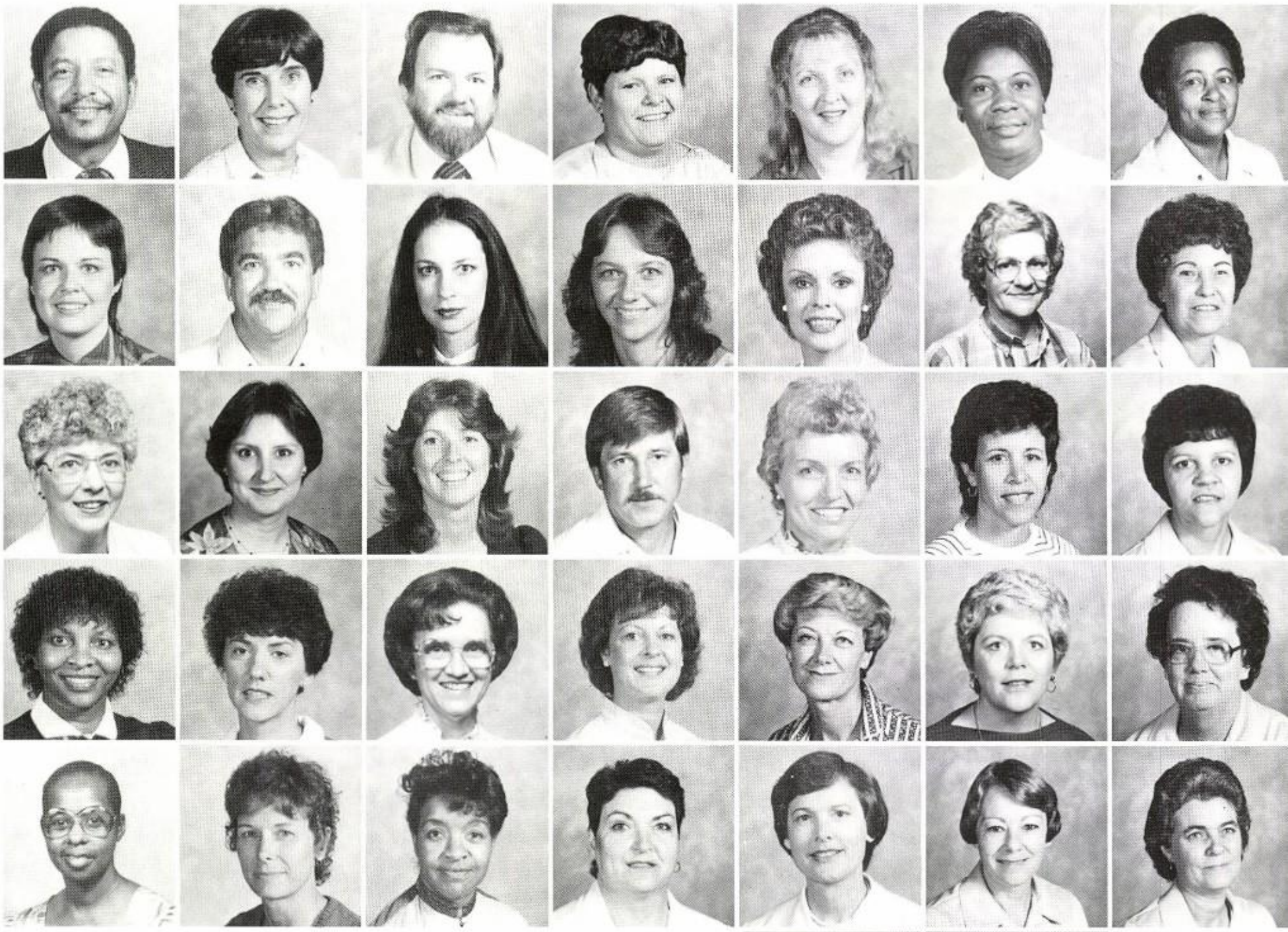
"It's definitely with the family," declared business teacher Mrs. Cynthia Bertrand about her weekends. "Last year we got a camper so we were able to spend time in Galveston and Natchitoches."

"Do I like weekends?" asked Mrs. Jean Marnien. "Certainly! When I'm through grading papers my husband and I like to work in the yard or travel. We sold our ski boat and now we want to buy a pontoon. Then we can float lazily down the river doing absolutely nothing."



ONE LAST SWEEP. Mary Duhon tidies up a table just before quitting time.

FRIDAY LUNCHEON. Bobbie Cart enjoys a relaxing diet coke before she is served on the Friday of National Secretary Week.



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Lundy, Margaret — Leadership I and II, English II ph 3
Manuel, Collette — English II ph 1 and Speech Communications
Miller, Juanita — English I ph 2; Junior Student Council
Mouton, Ivy — General Business; Typing I and II

O'Brien, Joyce — Algebra I ph 2; Math II
Odom, Ronnie — P.E.; Girl's J.V. and Varsity Basketball
0 ffill, Carla — General Science ph 2
Pilgreen, Sue — Algebra II ph 3 and 2
Porter, Abi — English III ph 2; Bluebelles, Swim Team

Racca, Dan — Free Enterprise ph 2; American History ph 2; Key Club
Raetzsch, Jo Lynn — Special Education; Senior Student Council
Reed, Catherine — Biology ph 3 and 2; Cheerleading
Rockett, Tela — Home Economics I and II
Rogers, Gloria — English II ph 2

Rosteet, Barbara — Special Education
Scroggins, Nancy — General Science ph 1 and 2
Shaver, Jimmy — P.E.; Boys J.V. and Varsity Football Head Coach
Stewart, Diane — English II ph 2 and 3
Toro, Sara — Spanish I and II

Vallee, Joan — Chemistry ph 3; Biochemistry ph 3; Physics ph 3; Advanced Science Club; National Honor Society
Wamsley, Elsie — Special Education; Sophomore Student Council
Wegener, Edna — General Science ph 2; National Honor Society
Wegener, Gloria — Latin I and II; German I; Latin Club
William, Carolyn — Home Economics, Child Care, C.O.E.
Willoughby, David — American History ph 1; Octagon Club

Wilson, Phyllis — Math I
Cart, Bobbie — P.E. Secretary
Gauthreaux, Lucille — Guidance Secretary
Trahan, Peggy — Attendance Secretary
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McGee, Lee — Cafeteria
Rashto, Katherine — Cafeteria
Thomas, Joyce — Cafeteria

Thank God It's FRIDAY (con't. . . .)

"Oh I really like Fridays!" Mrs. Sara Toro, the Spanish teacher, thrilled. "¡Me gusto mucho! El dia mas mijorde la semana!" (Translation: It's the best day of the week.)

"I love Fridays because they're the day before the weekend," stated P.E. coach, Ms. Fay Conner. "I play ball on the weekends."

"I enjoy doing outdoor activities on my weekends," confided drafting instructor Mrs. Janet Paulk,. "I enjoy crabbing, fishing, or watching the horses at the race track."

Mrs. Connie MacDonald enjoyed playing with her children in the back yard. Mrs. "Sister" Ezell usually sat by the pool getting sun, but she was planning a new experience.

"I'm taking my kids to see Van Halen in Baton Rouge," she explained. "We'll be sitting in the front row. I've never been to a concert like it'll be. I might bring earplugs."

The faculty spent as much time as possible enjoying the great outdoors. Mr. East liked to spend his weekends fishing, boating, and hunting. "I like to shoot fish," he joked about the two-day respites.

The school secretaries were equally enthusiastic about the weekends. "I play any kind of card game," answered Mrs. Lucille Gauthreaux. "Sometimes I go fishing with my husband. I like to work in my yard and I have some pretty rose bushes. I go to New Orleans to visit my sister during Mardi Gras every year. Sometimes we go to Houston to visit my husband's sister."

The faculty's favorite pastimes seemed to be centered around the family and being outdoors. They could get into the swing of the weekend as easily as students. So although teachers and pupils sometimes were struggling in battles of the wills, they could still be in agreement on one fact: Thank God it's Friday! — MARSHALL

THE TRUE SPONSOR. Diane Goodacre collapses after a draining day of supervising the preparations for Prom.

TWIDDLING HER THUMBS. Teachers were required to stay on campus until 3:30 despite the earlier time for first hour. Phyllis Wilson anxiously awaits the bell to go home.

CHECKING THE TIME. Margaret Lundy synchronizes her watch with the school clock so she won't lose any time in getting home.

EXECUTIVE STUDENT COUNCIL — *First row:* Allison Ware, Susan Connella. Second row: Stuart Morstead, John Miller, Eric Thompson.

SENIOR STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS — *First row:* Lee Ann Waguespack. Second row: Bill Nicholson, Tim Taylor, James Peacock.

JUNIOR STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS — *First row:* Terri Courville. Second row: Debi Turek, Lan Ewing. Third row: Karla Jacobi, Shawn Cary, Laura Sepulvado.

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OCTAGON — *First row:* Missy Brewer, Tracy Spees, Malcolm Martin, Maureen Maroon. *Second row:* Jan Gwatney, Michelle Terranova, Eric Thompson, Caroline Zama, Karen Abate, Lisa Wojciechowski, Penny Sergeant, Jordan Harlow, Tonya Sanders, Keith Wimberly, Stephanie Bogle, Alan Dickerson. *Third row:* Susan Conella, Kelley Sullivan, Shawn Reed, Melissa Fontenot, Mark Lundy, Geene Goetsch, Kathy Ferdinansen, Connie Blankenship, Anne Kratzer, Keefe Gremillion. *Fourth row:* Marsha Johnson, Troy Harrington, Greg Judice, Scott Doyle, Chris Trahan, Shane Lundy, Karla Jacobi, Laura Sepulvado, Skip Rogers, Rolf Morstead. *Fifth row:* Jerry Busby, Sam Crawford, Bryan Pope, Southey Hayes, Mike Booth, Troy Duhon, Danny Dyuer, Janie Kleinschmidt, Steve Guillory, Jim Hutchins, Mary McCann, Craig Richardson, Angie Savant, Joey Stough, Wade Carwile.

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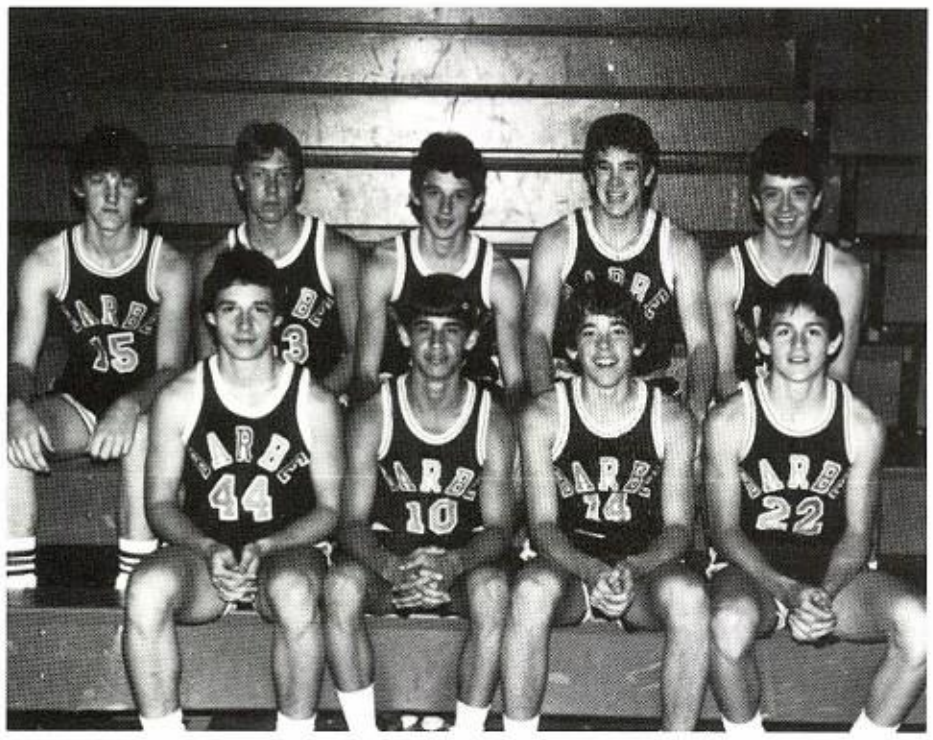

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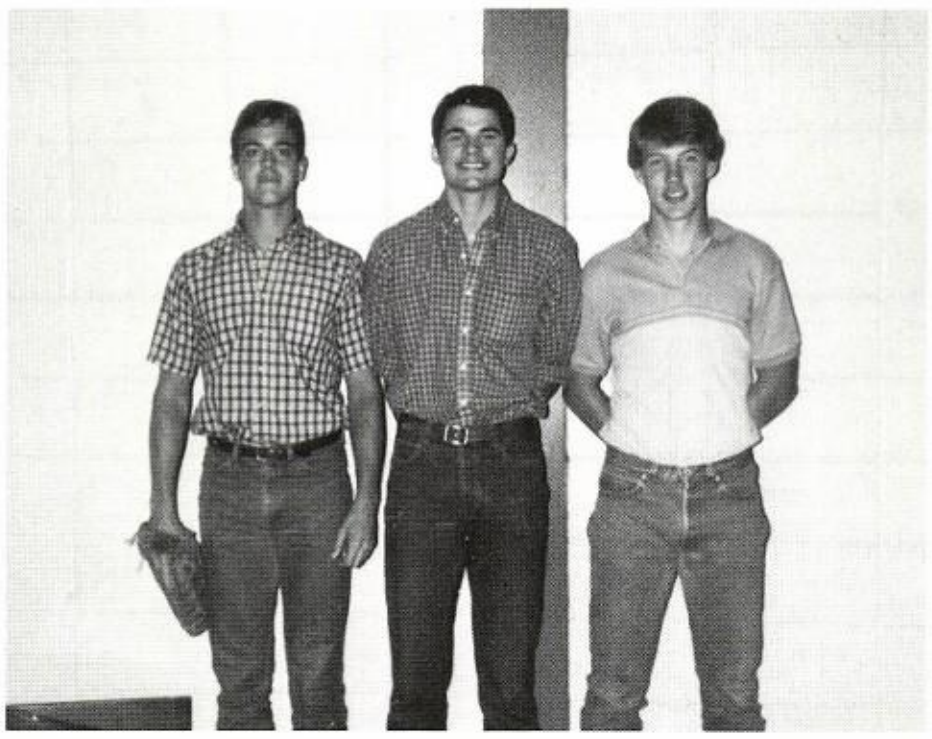

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GIRLS BASKETBALL - *First row:* Angela Brignac, Rhonda Lejeune, Anjeanette Leger, Pam Dixon, Coach Ronnie Odom. *Second row:* Stacie Allen, Leigh King, Linda Darling, Nancy Linscomb. *Third row:* Paula Raley, Chris Gandy, Jill Welborn, Tram Ewing.

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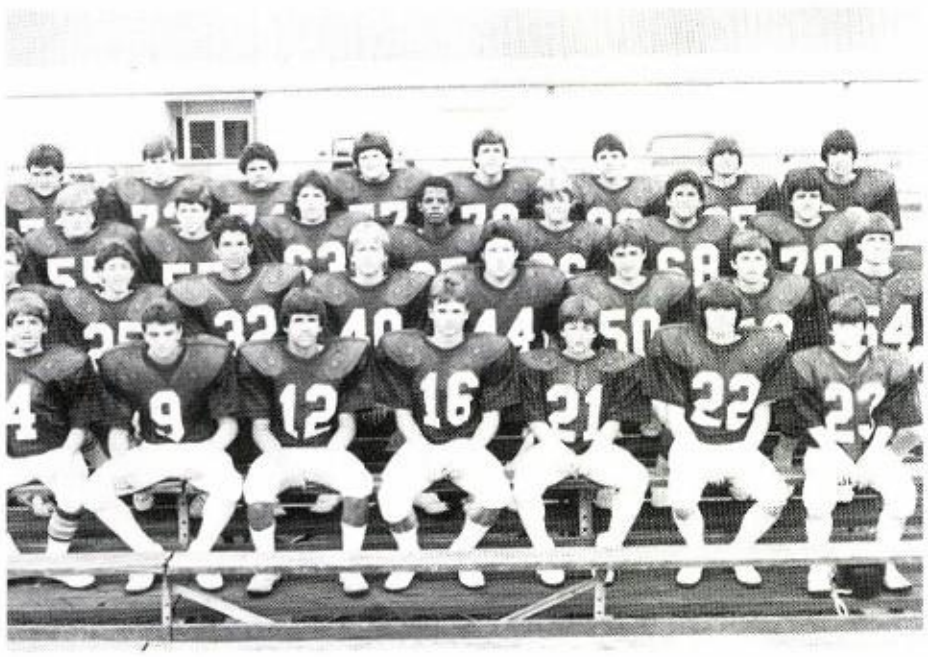

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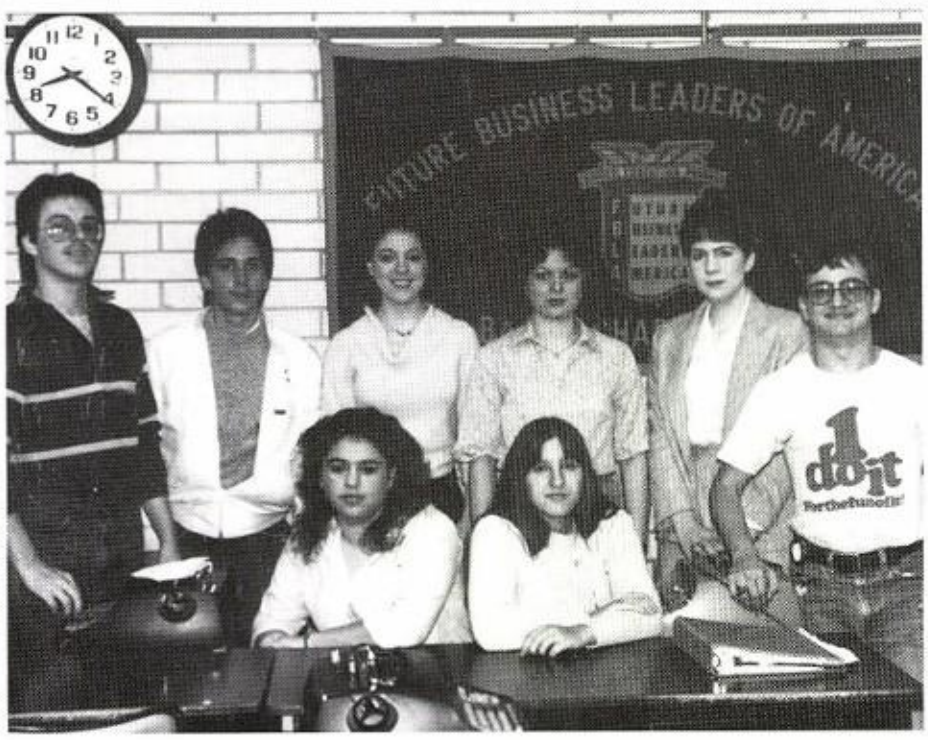

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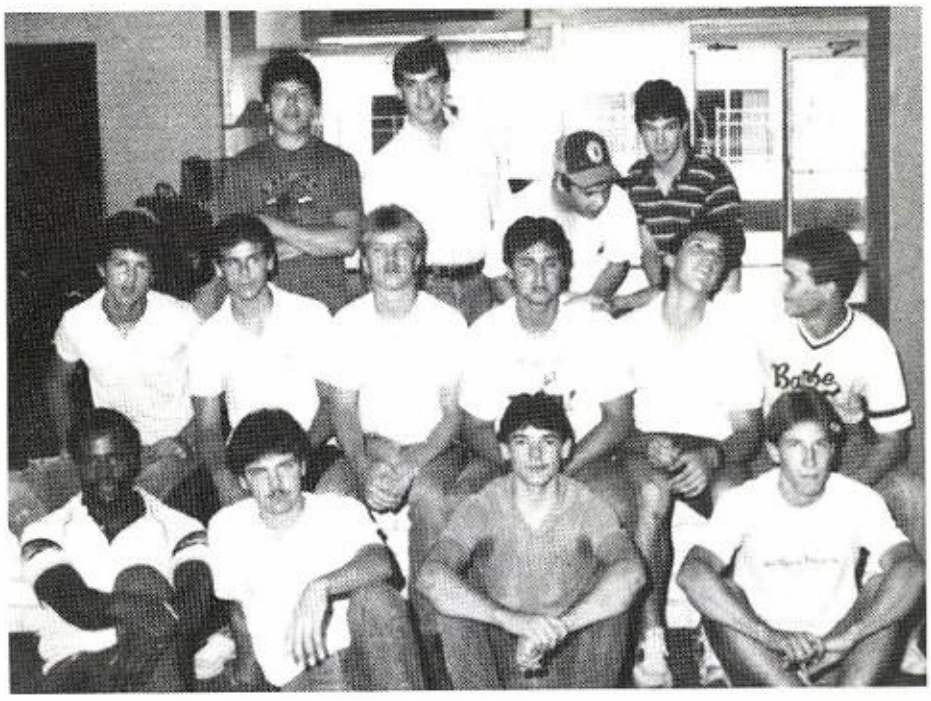

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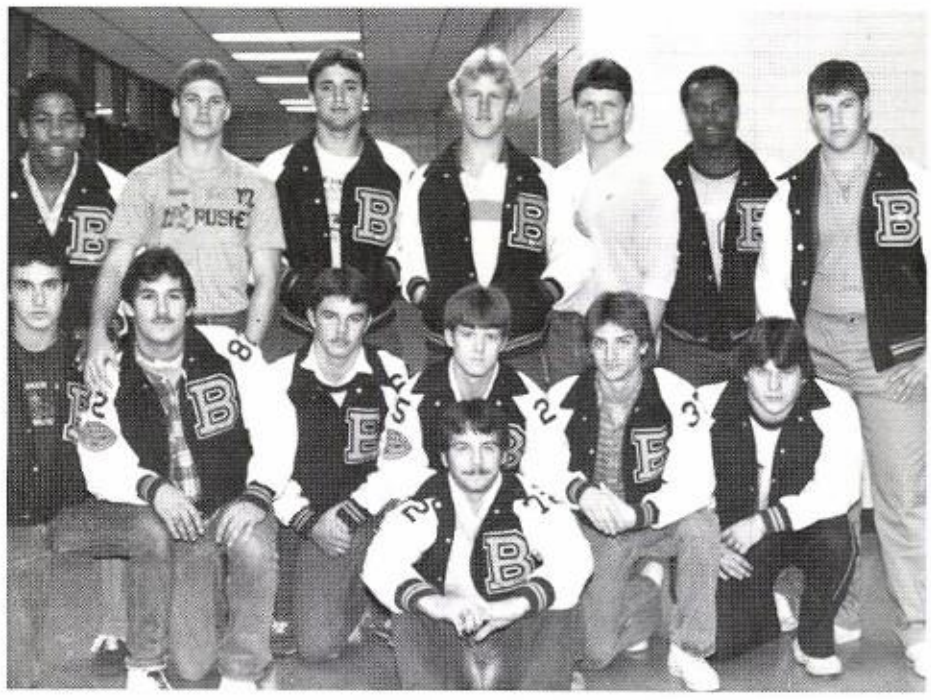

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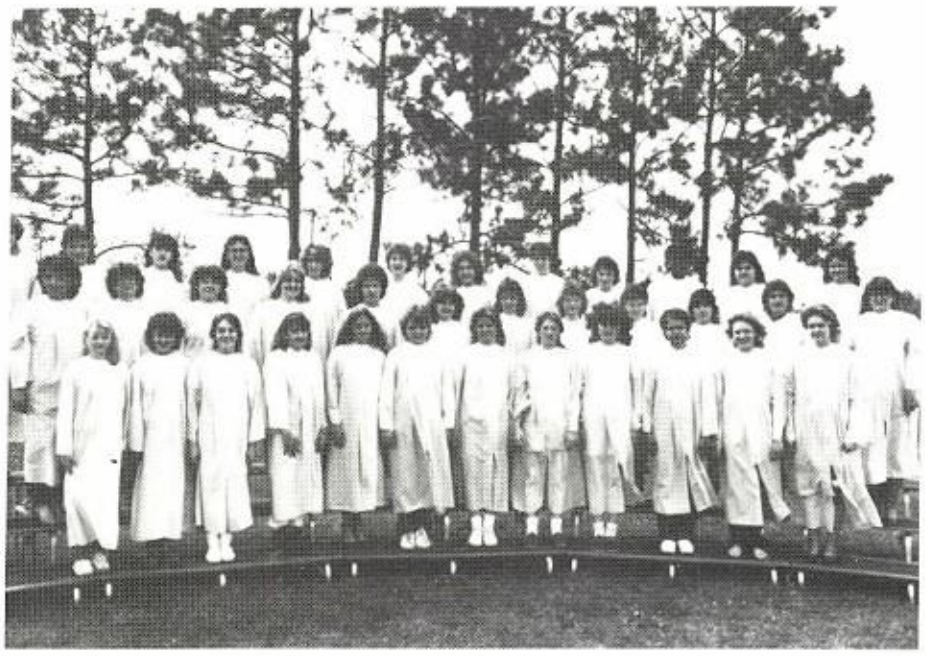

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Standing by the wayside, all that summer schoolers can do is watch

As Life Passes by

As school ends and summer begins, a student's fancy turns to the important things in life. Pools, parties, and picnics, right? Wrong. For some students the school year has yet to end, in fact, it is just beginning. Such was the case of Tammy Perry, Erika Garrett, Harvey Hutchinson, and 167 other summer school students.

"From fall to spring we struggle through school only to have it start all over again May 30, the first Monday after school is out," sighed Dina Sonnier, senior.

Instead of going to the beach along with the rest of the crowd, these students had to spend that time sitting within the confining walls of a classroom. The would-be fun in the sun becomes the "gloom of the room" as the summer schooler tries to concentrate on school work while keeping their minds from wandering to thoughts of the outside world. "It doesn't bother you until you realize that you should be outside having fun somewhere," said senior, Amanda Armstrong.

Being cooped up in the classroom for the better part of the day kept some of the girls from getting their summer status symbols, suntans. Without their sunshine quotas, the students resorted to unorthodox ways of getting their bodies roasted to a mild burn. Coming home from school, students practically did a bump and grind in the car, not wasting any time in getting to that frying pan in the sun, otherwise known as the patio. Meanwhile, other summer schoolers dressed as Nanook of the North to keep the vacationers from seeing their bleached skin. They kept up the disguise until they could find the time to take a swing by the beach to catch some quick rays. This is a ritual handed down from summer schooler to summer schooler throughout the season.

This year, though, there was a new twist to the old game, as Barbe students went to the LaGrange campus for their summer school courses. "Not having to go to the same old classrooms was a nice change, even though I got lost the first time I tried to find my new class," admitted sophomore Peter Eisen.

As summer came to an end, vacationing students began to eagerly await the ringing of the school bell. That is, except for the summer schoolers, who winced at the thought because they never had the chance to miss it in the first place. — Cart.

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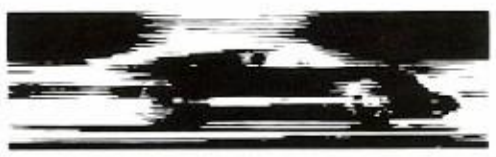

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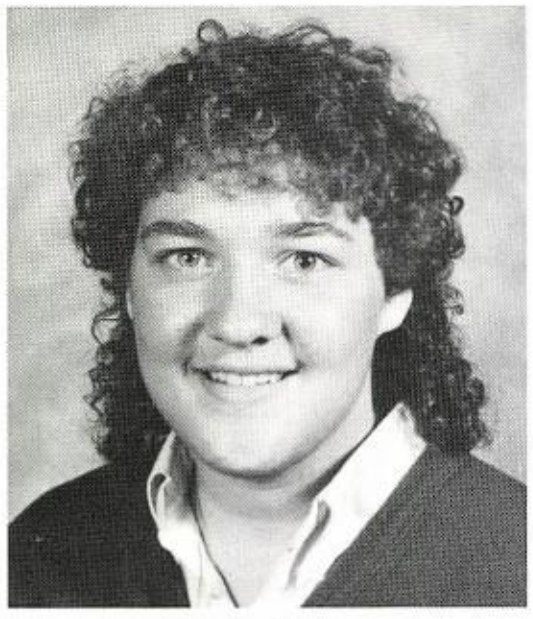

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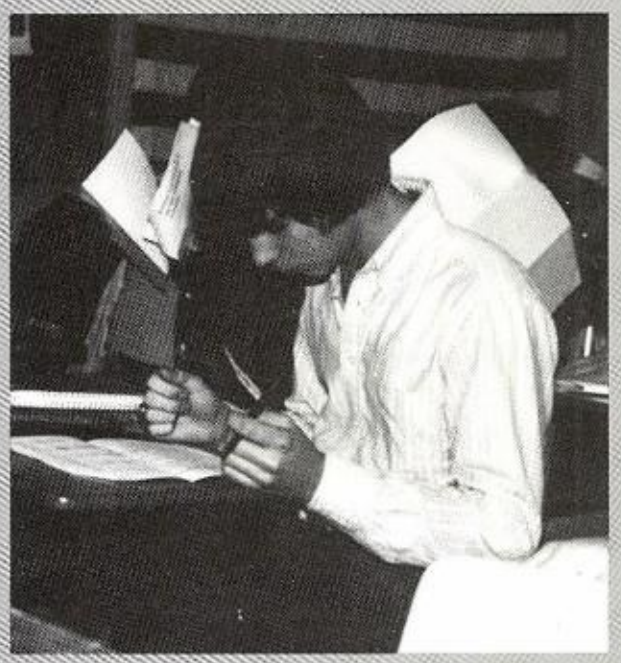
Perhaps, if school started later, people would feel more awake throughout the day. "8:30 to 2:30 would be ideal," decided Mrs. Donna Bell. "That would leave about an hour for every class."

What about the ones who don't recover? Imagine the embarrassment of being awakened from a deep slumber in the middle of a lecture on *A Tale of Two Cities*. As David Burge related, "It wasn't anything. I was just sitting there and suddenly, a few minutes later, I heard Mrs. Hall's voice calling, "David . . . David" and then I woke up." What he failed to mention was that the class was in absolute tears for five minutes after.

But loss of sleep can't always be attributed to heavy partying. School activities, such as homework, football and basketball or band also contribute. The band was out on the practice field every morning to perfect their routines and music. The football and basketball teams stayed before and after school to improve their game and come up with a winning season. Even those students who went to the weeknight games wouldn't get home until 12:30. "After the game, I got home late and had to get up the next morning at 5:45 and go to Austin which took 6 hours. And all for a football game," said Steven Fetzer.

And let's not forget about the early morning free enterprise students. They have to get up fairly early in order to make the class on time, which starts at 7:05 every morning for 3 six weeks.

But any way, creatures of the night, victims of the morning, wake up and face the music! Have a nice day! Good morning America, and the world! — Chozen



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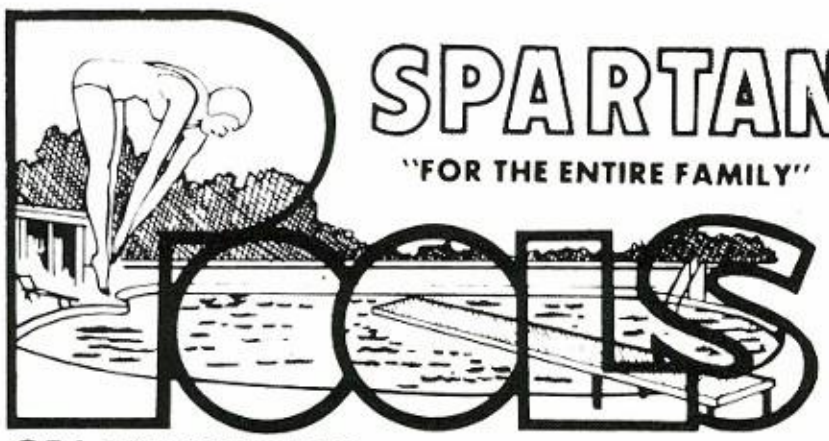

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The Beat Went On

Deedle deedle dee, deedle deedle dee," sang sophomore Alan Dickerson, as he watched a group of a few people passing around a case of a new tape. He peered perplexedly at the picture, the cover of a Culture Club album. "Boy George?" he inquired. "You like Boy George? He dresses funny." This thought was shared by many throughout the year. "Oh, he's *real* cute,"groaned freshman Guy Pujol. "Take a quality group like Alabama and there's no comparison." For the year in music, variety seemed to be the word.

Not that all things changed. Some details are permanent and predictable. Like the fact people wearing cowboy hats listen to Hank Williams, Jr., and the girl in your English class with the orange hair and dark glasses worshipped Johnny.

Freshman Art Aducci was easily identified as a Def Leppard fanatic; pins and T-shirts adorned with the groups' name were a major part of his wardrobe. "I went to one of their concerts during the summer," Art confirmed. "It was great! I was in the fourth row!"

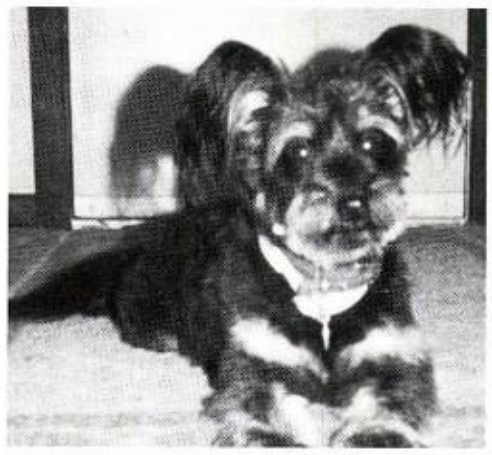
Another big favorite was the popular-with-girls "Duran Duran." With classic good looks and songs like "Rio" and "Union of the Snake," they were heard often in the Commons, where KBIU reigned.

Two of the biggest acts of the year had to be the Police and Micheal Jackson. You could ask nearly anyone what the best album was and they would say "Thriller" or "Synchronicity." The Police had three high hitting singles and "Every Breath You Take" was the number one song of 1983. "Thriller" had a total of six huge hits and "Billie Jean" was the biggest.

Popular radio stations were B95 (featuring the Morning Wakeup Service), various, rarely-caught Houston stations such as KLOL and KKBQ, and the all-time favorite KBIU. KZOM, 104½, was also extremely popular. Unfortunately, on Janaury 31, the station mysteriously went off the air, and when it returned it was no longer the same format, but Audio Sominex; easy listening.

"My favorite station is KLOL, but I can never catch it, so I listen to B95," stated junior Dawn Huhn.

The music and its stars may have changed, but the song remains the same. — CHOZEN



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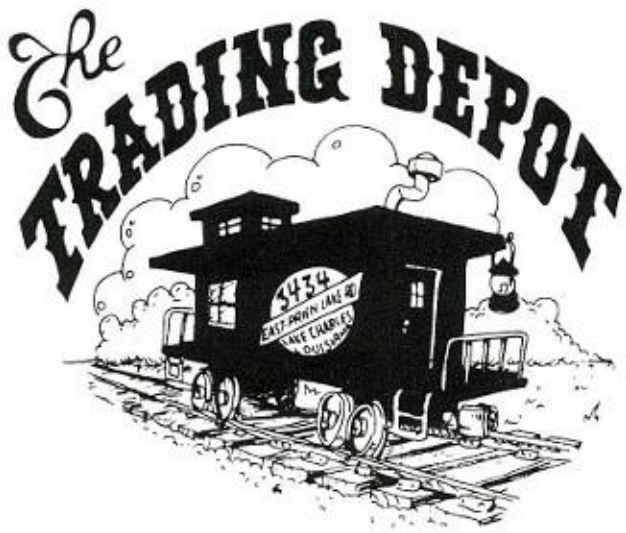

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"I start craving strange foods," related Timmy Ory. "Hamburgers, watermelon, lime jello — anything."

"Hunger pangs hurt," complained Maria Colletta. "My stomach is always growling when the room is completely silent. I start to crave pizza. But it's an hour until lunch."

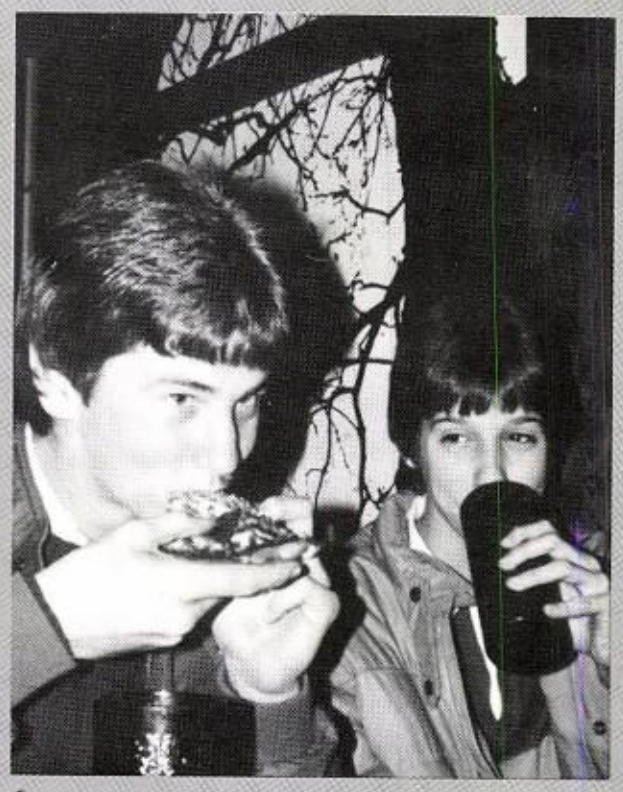
"I just sit there in Latin and die," complained Tracy Kircus. "I'm always hungry in there and I start having trouble concentrating."

Some took their hunger pangs in stride. "I just leave with the MCDiner's Club for lunch to get a hamburger," smiled Karen Green with the air of a person who can solve her own problems.

Hunger pangs are unpleasant in class when little can be done to lessen them, but they are easily sated when out on the town. All that is needed is a vehicle, equally starving friends, and some cash. Whether it was a passion for gumbo, fried chicken, tacos, or steak, a restaurant was able to cater to those needs. If the munchies attacked late one Friday night, anything edible could be found at a corner convenience shop. And when funds were especially low, convenience stores were quite convenient.

Butch King definitely knew the type of eatery he preferred. "I like some place sophisticated. Since I love good steak and seafood, I usually go to the Plantation House or Pat's of Henderson."

Eating at restaurants sometimes caused anxiety. Which fork to use? How to eat pizza without a mile of cheese trailing? What happens when a full glass is spilled? Or the herculean chore of dividing up the check and figuring the tip? How to eat a gigantic piece of lettuce? Cut it with a knife or stuff it all in at once? How about something green and leafy stuck between two teeth? Etc., etc. . . . Marshall



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"I can't see!" lamented Jack Roody during the first week of school. "How am I supposed to learn algebra if I can't see the board?" Ravin Agrawal joined in, "I always sit in the corner."

In the never-ending cafeteria line, most people think that they are always last. "For all the times I've been last," demanded Keith Newton, "I think I should always be first." But if everyone who was at the end of the line once was always first as repayment, there would have to 1200 separate lunch lines, and then you'd have to decide which line went first. What's a person to do? "Don't eat school food," advised Phyllis LeJeune. Sound advice, on all levels.

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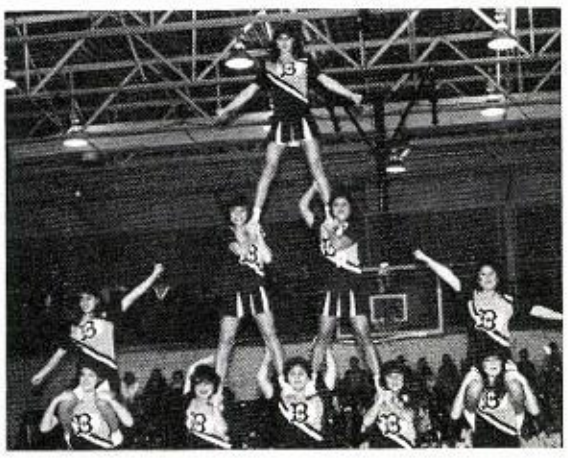

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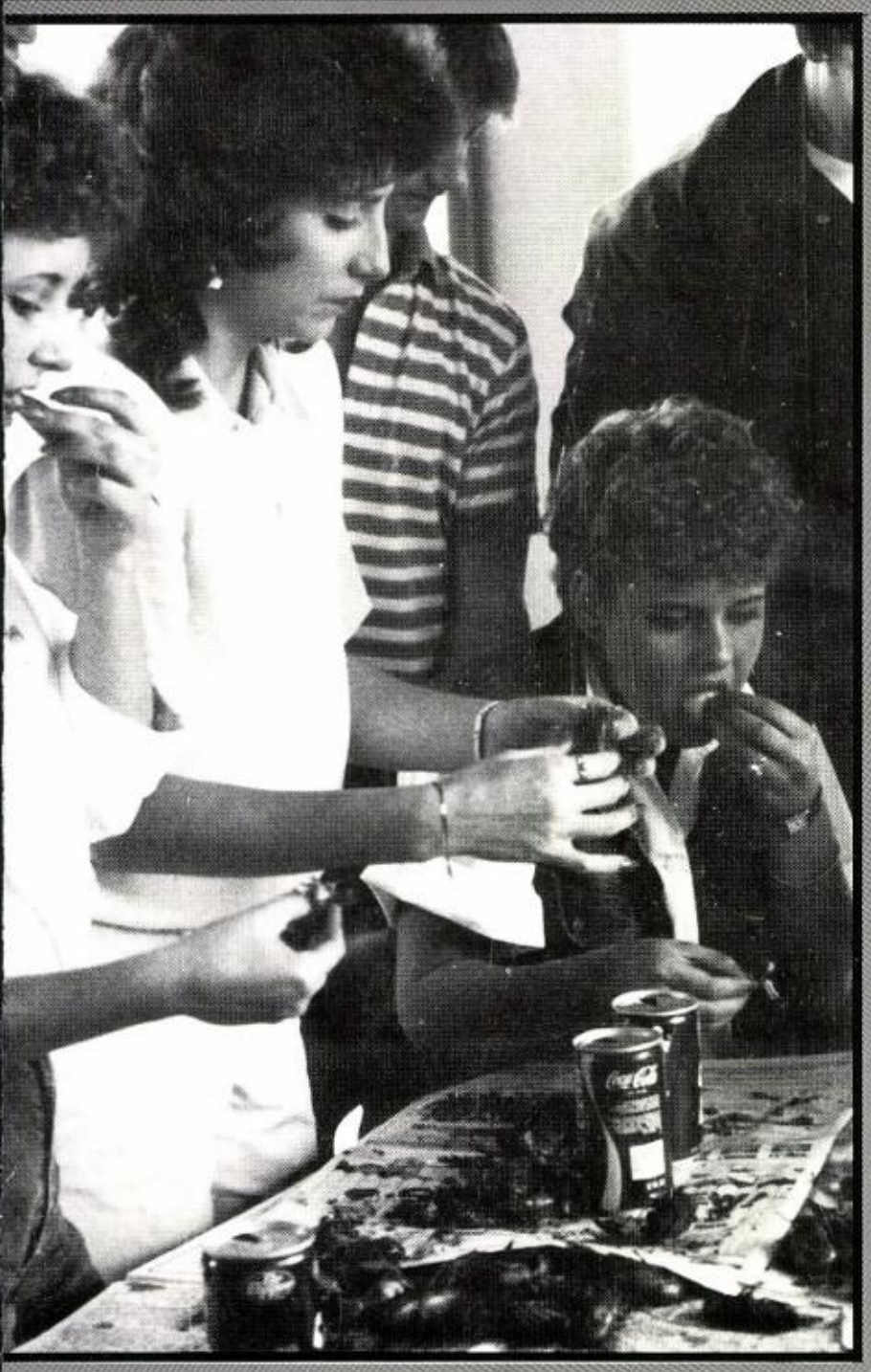
TRADITIONAL TRASH. Rooting through lockers and cleaning all the garbage out can be a chore as freshmen Wendy Quirk, Liz Pitre, and Shelley Broussard find out.

Finishing It Up



Nine months could be a long time or a short time, depending on how you looked at it. Changes, for better or worse, were bound to happen. It was a time to think about the losses and the victories and how we learned we had to deal with all of them. Even though the bad things that occurred would temporarily set us back, we would be stronger the next time and could bounce back faster and ready for more.

All year long, things were steadily winding down to a final conclusion. The last games and meets of each sport. The last performances by the band and the Bluebelles. The projected events conceived of and carried out by clubs were nearly completed.

Preparations were being made for the next year. Clubs were recruiting new members. Students filled out schedules for the next fall. The senior cheerleaders helped judge the hopefuls in the cheerleader try-outs. A new budget was being planned. (cont.)

UNCH BUGS. The end of the year brings a change of routine juniors Temple Louviere, Tammy Fruge, and Susan Perkins t heartily in fifth hour Contraband Cuisine.

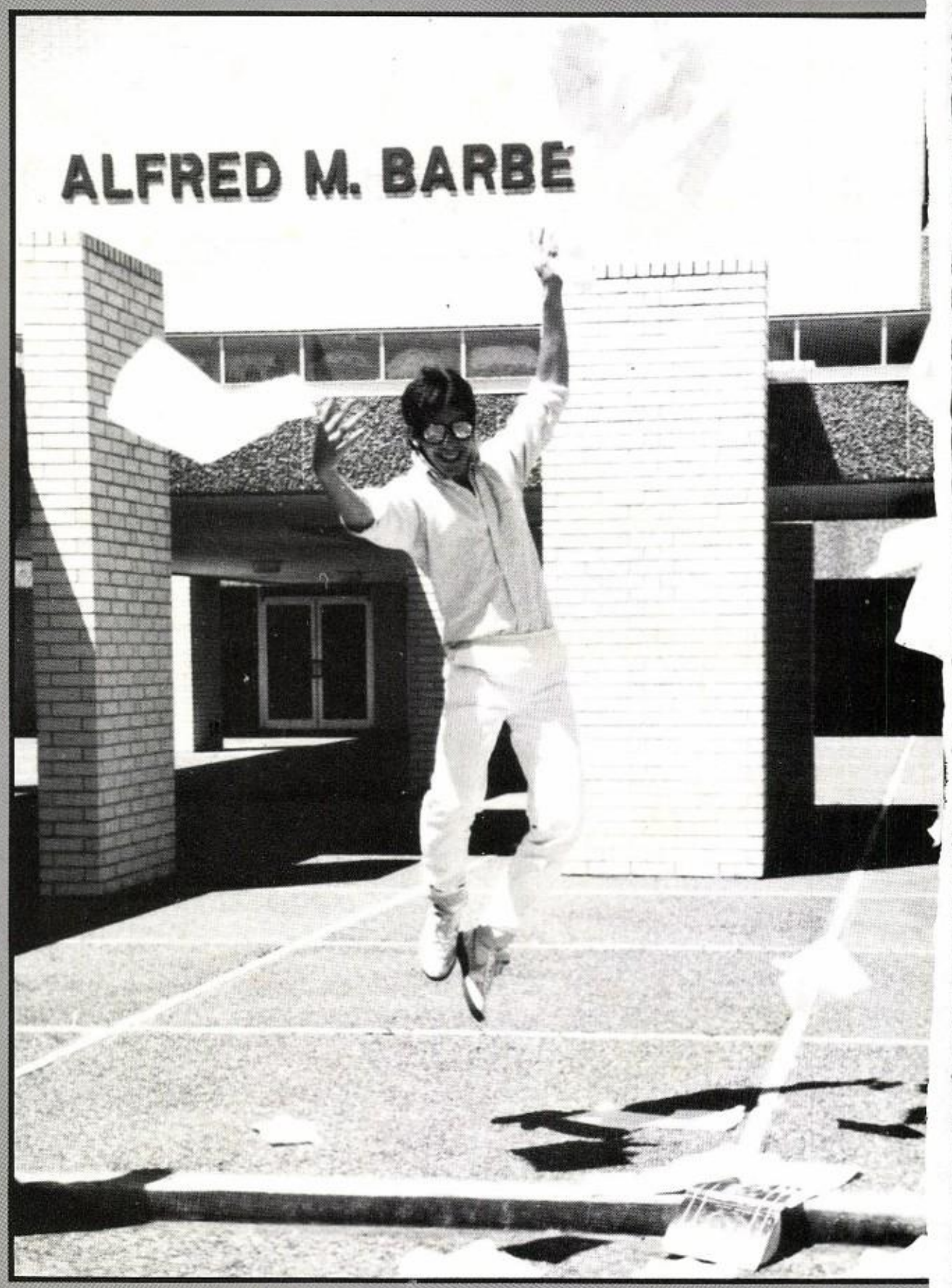
TATE OF CONFUSION. Along with the wild times and par- es that naturally accompanies the last days of school, some udents like seniors Penny Evans and Debbie Pruden realize ere are things they will miss.

Finishing (cont.)

With the preparations for the next year in full swing, came the realization that summer would not be far away. The big count-down had started, and as it went on, the plans of summer dominated the air more and more.

Juniors were taking ACT and SAT tests and putting on Prom. Seniors were talking about scholarships, senior trips, and life after graduation. Everyone dreaded the comprehensive finals that were necessary to be released for three months.

The initial surprise and shock that brought down the anticipation of a new year in the fall had been subtly altered all along. The good memories were remembered the best. We had all been permanently changed by the new rules and regulations, but we had learned that we could live with them and things could only get better. Nothin' halfway about it. — MARSHALL



KICKING THE HABIT. The realization that school was finally out sends senior Greg Judice into the air and ready to celebrate.

You real crazy but nice guy. I hope you have a good & fun year in 6th hour Biology. Stay crazy and nice~

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